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PASTOR AND ADDRESS	Telephone	POSITION	Ordained	Entered Synod
Baird, H. Vance, 400 South 6th, Atchison, Kansas	480 and 321	St. Mark's	1938	1943
Bard, Andreas, D. D., Litt. D., 3743 Harrison, Kansas City, Mo.	LO-4191	St. Mark's	1891	1910
Beil, Alfred J., D. D., 18 East 13th, Lawrence, Kansas	2865	Trinity	1923	1937
Bergstresser, Fuller, D. D., 514 N. W. 3rd, Abilene, Kansas	1306	Trinity	1894	1926
Close, Paul B., 517 Lecta Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas	8390 and 21118	St. Luke's	1942	1942
deFreese, K., D. D., 213 East Division, Peabody, Kansas	231	St. Paul's	1916	1935
Ebright, O. W., 4720 Randolph, Lincoln, Nebraska	4-2152	Supt. Tabitha Home	1919	1936
Eller, George W., 613 Mill Street, Beloit, Kansas	454	Zion	1935	1939
Ensrud, Lieutenant Colonel J. O.		Chaplain	1912	1926
Frobenius, Reno R., 10th and Charles Sts., St. Joseph, Mo.	2-8378	First	1930	1943
Gaston, Robert E., 313 North Elm, Eureka, Kansas	1025	Christ	1930	1930
Gilmer, E. H., 724 Washington, Salina, Kansas		Peace and St. Paul's	1911	1939
Gilmer, Captain Max		Chaplain	1935	1935
Groseclose, A. L., 810 N. Mich. Ave., Pasadena, Calif.		Retired	1911	——
Harrison, Eugene R., 1015 N. Washington, Hutchinson, Kans.	246	Zion	1932	1932
Havekost, Alvin D., 17th and Ann, Kansas City, Kansas	DR 3690	Trinity	1935	——
Jensen, Samuel W., 912 South Osage, Sedalia, Missouri	1222	Trinity	1941	1943
Klover, Captain, W. Wilbur		Chaplain	1931	1931
Lantz, B. R., D. D., 310 South 7th Street, Salina, Kansas	1004 and 2151	St. John's	1898	1904
McConnell, D. L., Rockport, Missouri	224	First and St. Peter's	1914	1923
McCulloch, J. A., D. D., 2710 Blue Ridge Blvd., Kansas C., Mo.	CH 2097 and CL 4603	Children's Memorial	1898	1921
✓Mendenhall, Alfred L., Chapman, Kansas	4511	Sherer Memorial	1937	1944
Moeller, First Lieutenant, Walter H.		Chaplain	1931	——
Oelke, Captain Otto K., Glasco, Kansas		Chaplain (on Lv.) St. Paul's	——	——
Pett, Herbert H., Lancaster, Kansas	302	St. John's	1937	1943
Rangeler, Ralph E., 5th and Harrison, Topeka, Kansas	8273 and 2-7003	First	1919	1940
Schaub, G. C., Ph. D., Wakeeney, Kansas	247	Bethlehem (supply) retired	1898	1919
Search, George L., Waterville, Kansas	58	First and St. Mark's	1932	1932
Stauffer, E. E., D. D., 839 North Market, Wichita, Kansas	3-0763 and 3-0810	St. Paul's	1898	1897
Swihart, C. N., D. D., R.F.D 2, Box 240, Oklahoma City, Okla.	8-9193	P. Emeritus, First (retired)	1902	1925
Tonsing, Captain Ernest F.		Chaplain	1936	1936
Wiest, Charles F., D. D., 503 W. 7th Street, Hays, Kansas	85	P. Emeritus, Trinity (retired)	1898	1902
Whittecar, George R., 324 West 5th, Tulsa, Oklahoma	3-8770	First	1935	1935
Zabel, First Lieutenant, Norbert		Chaplain	1939	1939

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PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES
For the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 1943
First — Southern or Wichita Conference

Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	Address or Geog. Location	COUNTY	Population	Pastor As of December 31, 1943	Language Used	MEMBERSHIP BAP. Number of Members	BAP. Net Gain	BAP. Net Loss	CONF. Number of Members	CONF. Net Gain	CONF. Net Loss	COM. Number of Members	COM. Net Gain	COM. Net Loss
1	Emporia	St. Mark's	1884	7th & Constitution	Lyon	x	Pastor on Military Lv.	E	464	4		288	....	4	128	....	2
2	Eureka	Christ's	1873	320 N. Elm	Greenwood	†	Robert E. Gaston	E	386	28		276	14		127	....	....
3	Fort Smith, Ark.	St. Luke's	1929	May & Alabama	Sebastian	§	Vacant	E	153	7		134	8		70	6	....
4	Hutchinson	Zion's	1888	11th & Washington	Reno	§	Eugene R. Harrison	E	370	8	....	278	3		164	....	....
5	Okla. City, Okla.	First Lutheran	1902	1300 N. Robinson	Oklahoma	‡	C. N. Swihart, Pro-Tem	E	160	10		131	6		100	....	....
6	Peabody	St. Paul's	1887	Sycamore-Division	Marion	*	K. de Freese, D. D.	E	447	....	15	311		15	119	....	21
7	Perth	St. James	1887	Perth	Sumner	0	Vacant	E	33	....		32			30	....	....
8	Tulsa, Okla.	First Lutheran	1909	324 W. 5th	Tulsa	†	George R. Whittecar	E	613	8		435	1		289	29	....
9	Wellington	St. John's	1888	322 N. Jefferson	Sumner	x	G. N. Mendenhall Sup.	E	145	1	....	122	1		58	1	....
10	Wichita	St. Paul's	1909	839 N. Market	Sedgwick	‡	E. E. Stauffer, D. D.	E	1127	94		773	60		564	74	....
							First Conference Totals		3898	160	15	2780	93	19	1649	110	23

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	St. Mark's	1868	400 S. 6th	Atchison	x	H. Vance Baird	E	869	18	....	604	13	....	408	62	....
2	Bendena	St. John's	1913	Bendena	Doniphan	0	Vacant	E	433	....	....	285		....	159	....	....
3	Cole Camp, Mo.	Cole Camp United	1927	Cole Camp	Benton	*	W. C. Miller	E	183	5		141	4	....	70	....	19
4	Kansas City, Mo.	Chil. Memorial	1884	5001 Independence Ave.	Jackson	‡	J. A. McCulloch, D. D.	E	545	14	....	297	11	....	200	5	....
5	Kansas City, Mo.	St. Mark's	1867	Troost Ave. & 38th	Jackson	‡	Andreas Bard, D. D.	E	786	61	....	650	38		301	41	....
6	Kansas City, Ks.	Trinity	1902	17th & Ann Ave.	Wyandotte	‡	W. I. Guss (supply)	E	376	50	....	293	34	....	234	23	....
7	Lancaster	St. John's	1905	Lancaster	Atchison	0	Herbert Pett	E	223	3		191	7		142	72	....
8	Lawrence	Trinity	1867	13th & New Hampshire	Douglas	*	A. J. Beil, D. D.	E	973	100		761	75	....	440	....	7
9	Langdon, Mo.	St. Peter's	1871	Langdon	Atchison	0	D. L. McConnell	E	246	....	56	164		11	98	....	13
10	Rockport, Mo.	First Lutheran	1858	Rockport, Mo.	Atchison	*	D. L. McConnell	E	567	44	....	342	6		222	....	....
11	Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1894	912 S. Osage	Pettis	x	Samuel W. Jensen	E	191	2	....	147	1	....	72	....	12
12	St. Joseph, Mo.	First Eng. Lutheran	1894	10th & Charles	Buchanan	§	Reno R. Frobenius	E	986	25	....	810	20		494	....	39
13	Topeka	First Lutheran	1867	Fifth & Harrison	Shawnee	§	R. E. Rangeler	E	418	7	....	362	7	....	203	....	12
14	Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1857	Valley Falls	Jefferson	*	Paul Close	E	170	1	....	117	1	....	62	....	....
							Second Conference totals		6966	330	56	5164	217	11	3105	203	102

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Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	Address or Geog. Location	COUNTY	Population	Pastor As of December 31, 1943	Language Used	MEMBERSHIP BAP. Number of Members	BAP. Net Gain	BAP. Net Loss	CONF. Number of Members	CONF. Net Gain	CONF. Net Loss	COM. Number of Members	COM. Net Gain	COM. Net Loss
1	Abilene	Trinity	1870	Fourth & Cedar St.	Dickinson	†	Fuller Bergstresser, D.D.	E	451	16		334	11		230	2	
2	Beloit	Zion's	1886	Seventh & Mills St.	Mitchell	†	George W. Eller	E	213	13		154	5		102	4	
3	Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	1872	Bunker Hill	Russell	0	Vacant	E	100		4	66		6	20		10
4	Bunker Hill	Wilson-Excelsior	1886	7 mi. E & 1 mi. N. of Wilson	Ellsworth	0	Vacant	E	154			127		1	62		
5	Chapman	Sherer Memorial	1889	426 Broadway	Dickinson	*	Vacant	E	122	14		115	8		76	11	
6	Glasco	St. Paul's	1893	Main St.	Claud	*	Geo. W. Eller (supply)	E	253	5		194	1		111		6
7	Greenleaf	St. Paul's	1886	4 mi.E. of Washington	Washington	0	Vacant	E	100	2		73	1		51		4
8	Greenleaf	Trinity	1882	Greenleaf	Washington	*	Vacant	E	189	1		126			57		18
9	Hays	Trinity	1878	Fort and West 13th	Ellis	†	Alvin D. Havekost	E	263	22		199	11		143	11	
10	Long Island	St. Paul's	1886	Long Island	Phillips	0	Vacant	E	56			29					15
11	New Cambria	Peace	1875	New Cambria	Saline	0	E. H Gilmer	E	153		1	112		2	48		2
12	New Cambria	St. Paul's	1874	2 mi. S. 1 mi. W. of Kipp	Saline	0	E. H. Gilmer	E	118			90			30		
13	Norcatur	St. Mark's	1888	Norcatur	Decatur	0	Vacant	E	65	5		35	5		15		
14	Salina	St. John's	1873	300 S. Seventh	Saline	x	B. R. Lantz, D. D.	E	1745	52		1288	22		702	1	
15	Wakeeney	Bethlehem	1905	G. C. Schaub	Trego	*	G. C. Schaub, Ph.D.	E	362			223			115		
16	Waterville	First	1874	7 mi. W. of Marysville	Marshall	*	George L. Search	E	63		17	58		2	30	7	
17	Waterville	St. Mark's	1871	Waterville	Marshall	*	George L. Search	E	348		45	295	7		143		28
							Third Conference Totals		4755	130	67	3518	71	11	1935	36	83
							Totals Cong. Pas. Vac.										
							1943 41 27 11		15619	620	138	11462	381	41	6689	349	208
							1942 41 28 9		15137			11122			6548		
							Increase		482			340			141		

POPULATION:
‡ Over 100,000
§ 25,000 to 100,000
x 10,000 to 25,000
† 2,500 to 10,000
* 500 to 2,500
0 Under 500

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					Acces'ns			Losses							Accessions					Losses					Schools Sunday				Wkdy. Schls.			Child. of Ch.						
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Certificate	Total	Trans. by Confirm.	By Death	By Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	Baptism	Confirm.	Certificate	Restoration	Total	Death	Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Number	Sta'l Members	In Sunday School	In Home dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Catechumens	In Luth. Sem.	In oth. Lu. In.	In Non-Luthe Institutions
1	Emporia, St. Mark's	464	288	128	10		10	2				2	8			2			2	6			6	1	8	80											
2	Eureka, Christ's	386	276	127	14		14						14		2	3	4	8	17	1	2		3	1	9	50										1	4
3	Mt. Smith, Ark., St. Luke's	153	134	70	4		4	5				5		1	1	7	4		12	2	2		4	1	12	60			1	7	65	3	25	6			
4	Hutchinson, Zion's	370	278	164	7	5	12	4	1	2		7	5		3	4	6		13	3	7		10	1	12	130		10						5			
5	Oklahoma City, Okla., First	160	131	100	4		4						4			9			9	1	2		3	1	6	80											
6	Peabody, St. Paul's	447	311	119	11	7	18	8		4	6	18			4		4		8	4	5	14	23	1	12	101	8	10				4	23	8			3
7	Perth, St. James	33	32	30																																		
8	Tulsa, Okla., 1st Lutheran	613	435	289	16	8	24	5	1	11		17	7		6	6	25		37	3	17	16	36	1	25	237	11	62	2		10			29			5
9	Wellington, St. John's	145	122	58												1		1	2		1		1	1	17	50								1			2
10	Wichita, St. Paul's	1127	773	564	30	22	52	13		3	2	18	34		10	25	33	12	80	1	16	3	20	1	26	305		71	1	4	60	8	72	33			7
	First Conference Totals	3898	2780	1649	96	42	138	37	2	20	8	67	72	1	26	57	76	21	180	21	52	33	106	9	127	1093	19	153	4	11	135	15	120	82		1	21

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1	Atchison, St. Mark's	869	604	408	15	1	16	6	1	4		11	5		9	16			25	11	1		12	1	48	220		36	6	2	150	3	21	16			6
2	Bendena, St. John's	433	285	159																				1	8	120		6									
3	Cole Camp, Mo., C.C.United	183	141	70	1		1						1			4	1		5	1			1	1	10	56		6									1
4	Kansas City, Mo., Ch. Mem.	545	297	200	6	2	8	3	2			5	3		5	4	5	1	15	2	2		4	1	22	114			1	2	25			7			2
5	Kansas City, Mo., St. Mark's	786	650	301	24		24		1			1	23		6	45	7		58	6	14		20	1	29	248		14				2	45	17		2	2
6	Kansas City, Kans., Trinity	376	293	234	9	12	21	3	2			5	16		7	6	19	6	38	3	1		4	1	25	129		13				5	43	19			7
7	Lancaster, St. John's	223	191	142	4		4	8				8		4		8	1		9	2			2	1	11	100											1
8	Lawrence, Trinity	973	761	440	35	5	40	10		4	1	15	25		27	25	27	11	90	7	7	1	15	1	37	324		35	1	15	110			52			13
9	Langdon, Mo., St. Peter's	246	164	98							45	45		45								11	11	1	10	105		30						4			
10	Rock Port, Mo., 1st Luther.	567	342	222	9	29	38						38		8	4	6		18	2	10		12	1	10	205		63						35			2
11	Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	191	147.	72	1		1						1				4		4	3			3	1	7	58		4	1	2	12			6			1
12	St. Joseph, Mo., 1st Eng. Lu.	986	810	494	13	5	18	5		8		13	5		6	8	15	25	54	17	17		34	1	28	358	12	28				3	32	10		4	1
13	Topeka, 1st Lutheran	418	362	203	5	1	6	6				6			1	6	5	6	18	4	7		11	1	24	80		10						6		4	3
14	Valley Falls, St. Paul's	170	117	62											1	3	2		6	5			5	1	12	42						3	21				
	Second Conference Totals	6966	5164	3105	122	55	177	41	6	16	46	109	117	49	70	129	92	43	340	63	59	12	134	14	281	2159	12	245	9	21	297	16	162	172		10	39

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1	Emporia	1	35	2	85			1	12	20000	3500				23500	2500	2292	1000	3292							650	485	485	3777
2	Eureka	1	30	1	92			1	12	73500	5000				78500		2263	363	2626		74		37		111	635	169	280	2906
3	Ft. Smith, Ar.			2	35			2	25	14000	4000				18000	3950	2142	200	2342		40			83	123	320	180	303	2645
4	Hutchinson			1	40			1	10	40000	5000				45000	4294	2425	2562	4987		12		43	75	130	820	520	650	5637
5	Okla. City			3	60			1	10	60000	5000				65000		2200		2200	10	25	25	50	60	170	500	500	670	2870
6	Peabody	1	31	3	56	1	26	1	22	52300	3500				55800		2187	872	3059	43	78	40	99	25	285	700	450	735	3794
7	Perth									1500	800				2300											150	10	10	10
8	Tulsa, Okla.	1	12	1	60			2	40	35000	5000			2850	42850		5251	600	5551	15	19		264	745	1043	1300	1350	2393	8244
9	Wellington			3	40					4000	4000	2000	888		10888		1755		1755				58		58	285	294	352	2107
10	Wichita	1	60	3	99			1	33	20000	8500	5500		5075	39075	500	10724	150	10874	104	779		1163		2046	2450	2580	4626	15500
	Totals	5	168	19	567	1	26	10	164	320300	44300	7500	888	7925	380913	11244	31239	5747	36986	172	1027	65	1714	988	3966	7810	6538	10504	47490

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1	Atchison	1	25	3	85			1	25	50000	7000		25	3000	60025	1000	6515	1070	7585	5	79	7	429	377	897	1730	1306	2203	9788
2	Bendena			3	59					20000	3000		3000		26000											795	275	275	275
3	Cole Camp, Mo.			1	23					12000	2000				14000		1387	1601	2988	4	143	22	5		174	445	395	569	3557
4	Kan. City, Mo.	1	18	4	92	1	20			30000	2000			600	32600	3000	3953	2723	6676	22	83		358	293	756	975	975	1731	8407
5	Kan. City, Mo.			7	266			1	12	200000	10000	20000			230000		11492	17649	29141	36	5	75	162	1193	1471	1300	1565	3036	32177
6	Kan. City, Ks.	1	25	3	57			1	15	45000	15000				60000	34734	3473	938	4411	5			15	594	614	1055	798	1412	5823
7	Lancaster	1	23	2	75			1	40	5500	3500				9000		2493		2493		51		55		106	350	376	482	2975
8	Lawrence	1	35	5	195			5	175	93154	14218				107372	11900	5514	5649	11163	191	287			869	1347	2235	1597	2944	14107
9	Langdon, Mo.			1	24					5000					5000		1640		1640				211		211	555	556	767	2407
10	Rockport, Mo.			1	30			1	15	10000	5000				15000		2290		2290		25		289		314	1110	430	744	3034
11	Sedalia, Mo.			1	22			1	4	6000	4000				10000		2022	575	2597	35				75	110	420	221	331	2928
12	St. Joseph, Mo.	1	40	4	180	1	46	1	35	100000	9000		400	5000	114400		10627	997	11624		394		327	554	1275	2665	2665	3940	15564
13	Topeka	1	25	3	65			1	16	33000					33000	6250	4480	973	5453	15	57		109	156	337	1075	464	801	6254
14	Valley Falls			2	36					6000					6000		1629	1000	2629		3		90	30	123	310	188	311	2940
	Totals	7	191	40	1209	2	66	13	337	615654	74718	20000	3425	8600	722397	56884	57515	33175	90690	313	1127	104	2050	4141	7735	15020	11811	19546	110236

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		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Certificate	Total	Trans. by Confirm.	By Death	By Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Restoration	Total	Death	Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Catechumens	In Luth. Sem.	In oth. Lu. In.	In Non-Luth. Institutions
1	Abilene, Trinity	451	334	230	15		15	10				10	5		3	10	4	1	18	5	2		7	1	25	140	15	35						10			6
2	Beloit, Zion	213	154	102	3	12	15	5	1	1		7	8		1	5	4		10	2	3		5	1	12	62		10						5		2	1
3	Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion	100	66	20	2		2						2							4	2		6	1	4	20											
4	Bunker Hill, Excelsior	154	127	62	1		1						1							1			1	1	7	73		2				2	12				
5	Chapman, Scherer Memorial	122	115	76	4	2	6						6			7	3		10	1		1	2	1	12	76						3	27	7			
6	Glasco, St. Paul's	253	194	111	6		6	2				2	4		2	2			4	3			3	1	13	80								2	1		2
7	Greenleaf, St. Paul	100	73	51	1		1						1			1			1					1	6	35			1	2	15						
8	Greenleaf, Trinity	189	126	57	4		4			3		3	1				2		2	1	1		2	1	6	30		8						2			1
9	Hays, Trinity	263	199	143	5	12	17	3		1	2	6	11		2	5	2	8	17	3	3		6	1	15	97	5	15	1	10	55	1	55	10		1	4
10	Long Island, St. Paul's	56	29																																		
11	New Cambria, Peace	153	112	48	1		1						1							2			2	1	5	40											
12	New Cambria, St. Paul's	118	90	30																				1	6	50								8			
13	Norcatur, St. Mark's	65	35	15												5			5					1	2	18								5			
14	Salina, St. John's	1745	1288	702	34		34			4		4	30		8	25	4	11	48	15	11		26	1	46	336		48				5	52	17	1		10
15	Wakeeney, Bethlehem	362	223	115	20		20	16	1		3	20			7	21	12		40	1	4	35	40	1	18	135		38	1	8	50			15			
16	Waterville, First	63	58	30							15	15		15						1	1		2														
17	Waterville, St. Mark's	348	295	143	7	2	9	2			59	61		52	2	6	2		10	1	2		3	1	12	85		20				5	25	8	1		1
	Third Conference Totals	4755	3518	1935	103	28	131	38	2	9	79	128	70	67	25	87	33	20	165	40	29	36	105	15	189	1277	20	176	3	20	120	16	171	89	3	3	25
1943		15619	11462	6689	321	125	446	116	10	45	133	304	259	117	121	273	201	90	685	124	140	81	345	38	597	4529	51	574	16	52	552	47	453	343	3	14	85
1942		15137	11122	6548	343	93	436	146	6		193	345	261	170	127	219	321	106	773	119	217	473	809	37	602	4637	41	602	9	51	438	69	485	324	2	18	137
Increase		482	340	141		32	10		4	45						54				5				1			10		7	1	114				19	1		
Decrease					22			30			60	41	2	53	6		120	16	88		77	392	464		5	108		28				22	32			4	52

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1	Abilene	1	30	3	110			1	15	30000	8000		1000	3000	42000		4327		4327		316			495	811	1140	575	1386	5713
2	Beloit			2	31			1	9	6000	3000	3000		407	12407		1705	17	1722		11	55		102	168	490	288	456	2178
3	Bunker Hill									1500	1000				2500		225	8	233					35	35	150	25	60	293
4	Bunker Hill			2	32			1	20	3500					3500		649	422	1071	2	5		30	173	210	310	316	526	1597
5	Chapman			2	56					30000	2000		2350		34650		1785	102	1887					51	51	325	100	151	2038
6	Glasco			3	67					5000	4000			772	9772		1572	129	1701		15		67	142	224	585	310	534	2235
7	Greenleaf			1	14					3000	750				3750		471		471		130			156	286	275	275	561	1032
8	Greenleaf			2	18					3500	750				4250		903	397	1300		32		55	119	206	375	87	293	1593
9	Hays	1	15	1	82			1	15	35000	8000				43000		3288	399	3687	31	107		107	105	350	660	660	1010	4697
10	Long Island									2000					2000											75			
11	New Cambria			1	20					5500	2500				8000		645		645							250	5	5	650
12	New Cambria			1	22					7000					7000		400		400							150	46	46	446
13	Norcatur									1000	500				1500		221	11	232					15	15	75	75	90	322
14	Salina	1	28	9	345			2	38	75000	7000		5600		87600		6767		6767	50	118	31	1068	1054	2321	3505	2500	4821	11588
15	Wakeeney	1	11	2	31			1	20	8000	4500				12500	1553	1468	6123	7591	6	107		10	43	166	575	321	487	8078
16	Waterville									2500					2500		237	35	272				18	36	54	115	74	128	400
17	Waterville			3	105					9500	5000	3200		400	18100		1637	524	2161	2			109	199	310	855	473	783	2944
	Totals	4	84	32	933			7	117	228000	47000	6200	9250	4579	295029	1553	26300	8167	34467	91	841	86	1464	2725	5207	9910	6130	11337	45804
1943		16	443	91	2709	3	92	30	618	1163954	166018	33700	13553	21[illegible]04	1398339	69681	115054	47089	162143	576	2995	255	5228	7854	16908	32740	24479	41387	203530
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Treasurer's Report For 1943

	Apportionment	Paid	Specials	Total
Abilene	$ 1,140.00	$ 575.00	$ 317.00	$ 892.00
Atchison	1,730.00	1,305.95	551.96	1,857.91
Beloit	490.00	288.35	167.75	456.10
Bendena	795.00	275.01	28.35	303.36
Bunker Hill	150.00	25.00	35.00	60.00
Chapman	325.00	100.00	66.49	166.49
Cole Camp, Mo.	445.00	395.39	56.07	451.46
Emporia	650.00	485.20	120.52	605.72
Eureka	635.00	168.74	119.30	288.04
Fort Smith, Ark.	320.00	179.51	102.60	282.11
Glasco	585.00	310.20	146.12	456.32
Greenleaf Trinity	375.00	87.40	88.03	175.43
*Greenleaf, St. Paul's	275.00	275.00	286.87	561.87
*Hays	660.00	660.00	168.43	828.43
Hutchinson	820.00	519.64	134.00	654.55
Kansas City, Trinity	1,055.00	798.36	115.20	913.56
*Kansas City, Ch. Mem.	975.00	975.00	230.00	1,205.00
**Kansas City, St. Mark's	1,300.00	1,565.46	367.81	1,933.27
**Lancaster	350.00	376.10	51.00	427.10
*Langdon, Mo.	555.00	555.53	207.34	762.87
Lawrence	2,235.00	1,596.75	705.07	2,301.82
Long Island	75.00			
New Cambria, St. Paul's	150.00	45.45		45.45
New Cambria, Peace	250.00	5.00		5.00
*Norcator	75.00	75.00	50.00	125.00
*Oklahoma City	500.00	500.00	100.00	610.00
Peabody	700.00	450.00	51.10	501.10
Perth	150.00	10.00		10.00
Rock Port, Mo.	1,110.00	430.00	279.00	709.00
*St. Joseph, Mo.	2,665.00	2,665.00	488.75	3,153.75
Salina	3,505.00	2,500.00	2,039.34	4,539.34
Sedalia, Mo.	420.00	221.18	110.25	331.43
Topeka	1,075.00	463.78	176.04	639.82
**Tulsa, Oklahoma	1,300.00	1,350.00	658.45	2,008.45
Valley Falls	310.00	188.40	30.00	218.00
Wakeeney	575.00	321.00	85.00	406.00
Waterville, St. Marks	855.00	473.00	264.35	737.35
Waterville, First	115.00	73.91	54.00	127.91
**Wellington	285.00	294.14	58.00	352.14
**Wichita	2,450.00	2,580.00	854.72	3,434.72
**Wilson	310.00	315.72	122.90	438.62
Undistributed Apportion't		44.00		44.00
Totals	$32,740.00	$24,523.17	$ 9,497.52	$34,020.89

Receipts

1943 Balance Home Missions Funds	$ 1,177.31	
Children of the Church	17.02	
Junior Camp	1.59	
Balance Inner Mission Funds	175.96	
Sale of Slides	10.50	
Woman's Missionary Society	50.00	
Rev. Messer Refund	25.00	
Topeka Convention Offerings	33.13	
Lawrence Conference Offerings	11.71	
Oklahoma Situation	300.00	
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga to Inner Mission Funds	24.04	
Apportionment	24,523.17	
Specials	9,564.69	$35,914.12

Disbursements

Synodical Treasury	$ 1,427.95	
Synodical Treasury, Oklahoma Situation	1,023.57	
Synodical Home Missions	2,581.00	
Ministerial Education	700.00	
Kansas Synod Lutheran	591.83	
Midland College	4,150.00	
United Lutheran Church	12,121.22	
Tabitha Home	1,225.00	$23,820.57
Cash Balance		$12,093.55

Specials

Ministerial Pensions and Relief	$ 868.40	
Western Seminary	20.00	
American Missions	32.19	
Foreign Missions	296.64	
Midland College	402.05	
American Bible Society	1.50	
Children of the Church	149.97	
Lutheran World Action	4,697.65	
Tabitha Home Current Funds	1,996.41	
Tabitha Building Funds	845.14	
Tabitha Home Building Funds from Inner Missions	200.00	$ 9,509.95
Cash Balance		$ 2,583.60

General Funds

Synodical Treasury	$ 516.82
Synodical Home Missions Funds	556.31

Ministerial Education	1,000.00	
Kansas Synod Lutheran	140.00	
Undistributed Apportionment	318.32	
Uncancelled Voucher	1.90	
Tabitha Home Current Funds	50.00	
Lutheran World Action	.25	$ 2,583.60
Total Receipts	$35,914.12	
Total Disbursements	33,330.52	
Cash Balance, Citizens National Bank		$ 2,583.60

Synodical Treasury—Disbursements Itemized

Synodical Printing, Minutes and Supplies, $438.30. — Postage Treasurer's Account, $18.00. — Telegrams and Supplies, $3.38. — President's Expense, $282.99. — President's Secretary, $30.00. — Tabitha Board Meetings, $12.77. — Secretary's Expense Account, $59.67. — Cross For President, $25.00. — Salaries, $125.00. — Topeka Convention Expense, $98.73. — Stewardship Committee, $2.25. — Parish Committee, $2.50. — Midland College Meetings, $121. 87. — Supply Pastors, $23.45. — Executive Meetings, $127.79. — Treasurer's Bond, $6.25. — Lawrence Conference Expense, $50.00. — Total, $1,427.95. — Oklahoma Situation, $1,023.57. — Total Synodical Treasury Disbursements, $2,451.52.

Synodical Home Missions Funds

Receipts

1942 Cash Balance	$ 1,177.31	
1943 Apportionment	1,960.00	$ 3,137.31

Disbursements

Rev. G. C. Schaub, Wakeeney, Kansas	249.96	
Rev. E. R. Harrison, Hutchinson, Kansas	300.00	
F. W. Harlow, Treasurer, Beloit, Kansas	240.00	
Rev. Samuel W. Jensen, Sedalia, Missouri	275.00	
May 25, Topeka, Kansas, Committee Meeting	11.14	
August 24, Kansas City, Committee Meeting	46.48	
October 17, Topeka, Kansas, First Church	200.00	
December 31, Kansas City, Children's Memorial	200.00	
November 15, Kansas City, Committee Meeting	58.42	
January 17, 1944, Special Home Missions Savings Account	1,000.00	$ 2,581.00
1944 Cash Balance on hand		$ 556.31

Specials Itemized

Abilene—Lutheran World Action, $167.00; Tabitha Home, $120.00; Ministerial Pensions, $30.00.

Atchison—Lutheran World Action, $178.61; Tabitha Home, $64.46; Tabitha Building Fund, $302.89; Ministerial Pensions, $6.00.

Beloit—Lutheran World Action, $102.00; Tabitha Home, $40.00; Ministerial Pensions, $14.75; Foreign Missions, $11.00.

Bendena—Lutheran World Action, $20.35; Children of the Church, $8.00.

Bunker Hill—Lutheran World Action, $35.00.

Chapman—Lutheran World Action, $51.00; Children of the Church, $15.49.

Cole Camp, Mo.—Lutheran World Action, $33.15; Tabitha Home, $9.37; Ministerial Pensions, $13.55.

Emporia—Lutheran World Action, $93.18; Tabitha Home, $27.34.

Eureka—Lutheran World Action, $44.11; Tabitha Home, $75.19.

Fort Smith, Ark.—Lutheran World Action, $42.10; Tabitha Home, $60.10.

Glasco—Lutheran World Action, $110.20; Tabitha Home, $35.92.

Greenleaf, Trinity—Lutheran World Action, $74.41; Foriegn Missions, $13.62.

Greenleaf, St. Paul's—Lutheran World Action, $92.69; Tabitha Home, $62.68; Foreign Missions, $130.00; American Bible Society, $1.50.

Hays—Lutheran World Action, $94.00; Foreign Missions, $22.80; Children of the Church, $18.51.

Hutchinson—Lutheran World Action, $73.75; Tabitha Home, $43.00; Foreign Missions, $11.28; Children of the Church, $6.88.

Kansas City, Trinity—Lutheran World Action, $44.60; Tabitha Home, $26.94; Foreign Missions, $15.00; Children of the Church, $21.66.

Kansas City, Ch. Mem.—Lutheran World Action, $155.00; Foreign Missions, $25.00; Midland College, $50.00.

Kansas City, St. Mark's—Lutheran World Action, $367.81; Tabitha Home, $52.00.

Lancaster—Lutheran World Action, $51.00.

Langdon, Mo.—Lutheran World Action, $60.00; Tabitha Home, $147.34.

Lawrence—Lutheran World Action, $351.41; Tabitha Home, $131.13; Ministerial Pensions, $39.53; Western Seminary, $20.00; Midland College, $163.00.

Norcatur—Lutheran World Action, $35.00; Tabitha Home, $15.00.

Oklahoma City—Lutheran World Action, $60.00; Tabitha Home, $50.

Peabody—Lutheran World Action, $51.10.

Rock Port, Mo.—Lutheran World Action, $137.00; Tabitha Home, $136.50; Tabitha Building Fund, $5.00 and $25.00 U. S. A. Bond.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Lutheran World Action, $349.75; Tabitha Home, $125.00; Tabitha Building Fund, $10.00.

Salina, Kans.—Lutheran World Action, $481.91; Tabitha Home, $325.11; Tabitha Building Fund, $510.00; Ministerial Pensions, $578.37; American Missions, $25.69; Foreign Missions, $41.22; Midland College, $50.00; Children of the Church, $27.04.

Sedalia, Mo.—Lutheran World Action, $75.25; Midland College, $35.

Topeka—Lutheran World Action, $114.64; Tabitha Home, $50.79; Ministerial Pensions, $10.61.

Tulsa, Okla.—Lutheran World Action, $372.53; Tabitha Home, $209.99; Ministerial Pensions, $57.59; Children of the Church, $18.34.

Valley Falls—Lutheran World Action, $30.00.

Wakeeney—Lutheran World Action, $60.00; Tabitha Home, $25.00.

Waterville, St. Mark's—Lutheran World Action, $156.35; Tabitha Home, $109.00.

Waterville, First—Lutheran World Action, $36.00; Tabitha Home, $18.00.

Wellington—Lutheran World Action, $27.75; Tabitha Home, $23.25; American Missions, $7.00.

Wichita—Lutheran World Action, $504.20; Tabitha Home, $50.00; Ministerial Pensions, $159.25; Foreign Missions, $27.22; Midland College, $104.05; Children of the Church, $10.00.

Wilson—Lutheran World Action, $92.75; Tabitha Home, $30.15.

Statements of Assets and Liabilities of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

Assets

Camp Property Assets	$14,446.91	
Cash on Hand, Camp Washunga Funds	642.60	
Cash on Hand, Kansas Synod General Funds	2,583.60	$17,673.11

Liabilities

Camp Washunga, Balance on Notes Due the Kansas Synod on Land	$ 1,374.25	
F. S. Reider, Synodical Treasury Note	500.00	$ 1,874.25
Net Worth of the Kansas Synod & Adjacent States		$15,798.86

MINUTES

of the

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

April 17-20, 1944

The Seventy-sixth annual meeting of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States was opened with the Service of Holy Communion in Children's Memorial Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Mo. at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 17. Liturgist was the Rev. George L. Search, secretary of the Synod, and the Rev. George R. Whittecar, president of the Synod preached the Communion sermon. Delegates and visitors participated in the communion.

The First Session, April 18, 1944

Following devotions by the Rev. Samuel K. Jensen, convention chaplain, the president formally opened the seventy-sixth annual convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States on the morning of April 17, 1944. Seventeen clergy and fourteen laymen delegates answered the first roll call. Laymen were enrolled from seventeen parishes of the Synod.

Convention committees being announced by the president, visitors present were introduced. The Rev. Alvin E. Bell, D. D., of Toledo, Ohio was introduced as official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, and was made an advisory member of this convention of Synod. The Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor supplying the congregation at Cole Camp, Mo., was introduced and made an advisory member of the convention. The Rev. Lightner A. Swan, chaplain in the United States Army, was introduced and made an advisory member of the convention.

On recommendation from the examining committee, the Rev. Alfred L. Mendenhall was received as a member of this Synod and his name was placed on the Roll of Synod.

The Committee on last year's minutes submitted a verbal report to the effect that one report, that of the committee on constitution, had

been omitted from the printed minutes of 1943. With this exception, the minutes were declared correct as printed for the last year.

Report of the Committee on Constitution (1943) Omitted In the Printed Minutes of 1943

The constitution of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, in completed form, was printed in the Minutes of the Synod for 1942.

No changes or alterations have come to the attention of the committee.

We have, therefore, nothing to report.

The Report of the President was presented to the convention and was referred to the committee on President's report for review and recommendations.

Report of the President

Fathers and Brethren in Christ Jesus:

The grace of God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, has been with us for another year, and we are privileged to assemble to review the work that we have done in the Kingdom and to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit for the days ahead. It is with profound sense of humility and gratitude that we should come together, for we know that the world is in great tribulation and evil days surround us. Nevertheless the grace of our Lord has been sufficient for these hours, even as we know for a surety, by reason of His gracious promises, that it will be sufficient to meet all our needs in days to come.

In administering the affairs of this office I have sought to be helpful to the congregations, pastors, and institutions of the Church, and to represent the Synod in its larger relationships. This has of course required many hours spent in correspondence and meetings, and the traveling of thousands of miles, all of which has taken time from my duties as pastor in my home parish. In this connection, the members of my congregation have been most understanding and generous, considering whatever their pastor does for the Synod he does for them. For their patience and their generous sharing of my time with the Synod, I wish herewith to express my hearty appreciation.

Vacant Parishes

Manpower has been my concern during the year. We have had some changes in the scene, but to a large extent the picture remains much the same as a year ago. We now have on the roll of Synod 41 congregations, in 36 parishes. We have 34 ministers, of whom 22 are established as pastors of churches in the Synod, seven are chaplains in the United States Army, two are supplying congregations in the Synod, one is retired and living off the territory of the Synod, one is in general

work, as Superintendent of Tabitha Home, and one is teaching. There are four of our Churches being supplied by ministers who have memberships in other Synods. Of the 36 parishes, 22 have regularly installed two have pastors on leave of absence in the army chaplaincy and are being supplied, nine are vacant but supplied, and three are vacant with no regular pastoral services at all. I mention the following as having required some attention from my office during the year:

Atchison, St. Mark's—The pastorate was filled when the Rev. H. Vance Baird entered the field in June.

Bendena, St. John's—Supplied by Mr. Arthur Freeburg, Western Theological Seminary student, for three months last summer, and weekly throughout the school year. The pastorate is vacant.

Bunkerhill-Wilson Parish—Supplied last summer by Mr. Wilfred Henning, Theological student. Is under supervision of the Rev. George Eller, conference president. The pastorate is vacant.

Cole Camp, United—The pastorate is technically vacant, although the Rev. W. C. Miller, California Synod, is serving the field without having been formally called. The parish is making good progress under his leadership. A parsonage was purchased during the year.

Chapman, Scherer Memorial—The pastorate became vacant October 26, when Pastor G. K. Mykland moved to Iowa, but it was filled February 1, when the Rev. A. L. Mendenhall came onto the field.

Emporia, St. Mark's—The Rev. Ernest Tonsing entered the Army Chaplaincy in September. His resignation was accepted March 19. The congregation has been supplied by Dr. Miller of the College of Emporia. The pastorate is vacant.

Fort Smith, St. Luke's—The Church was supplied by Board Missionary J. E. Hummon and by Theological Student Morris Zumbrun until late August. From then until the end of December laymen of the Church carried on effectively. The Rev. Paul Close was called and began work January 1.

Glasco, St. Paul's—The Rev. Otto K. Oelke is the pastor, on leave of absence, and the Rev. George Eller, Beloit, is supplying the parish with the assistance of Dr. G. N. Mendenhall, Sterling College.

Greenleaf Parish—The Rev. J. E. Messer left the field in September to go to South Sioux City, Nebraska. Mr. Franklin Shirk, Western Seminary, student, is serving as supply. The pastorate is vacant.

Hays, Trinity—Pastor A. D. Havekost left the field immediately after Easter to assume the pastorate at Trinity, Kansas City. The pastorate is vacant.

Kansas City, Trinity—Board Missionary W. I. Guss supplied faithfully for a year and a half while the President of Synod, the Chairman of the Home Missions Committee, and the Divisional Secretary of the

Board of American Missions searched throughout the whole church for a new pastor. When the Chairman of the Home Missions Committee, the Rev. A. D. Havekost, allowed himself to be considered by the congregation, he was called, and he accepted. He took charge of the field April 12.

Long Island—Pastor A. D. Havekost, chairman of the Home Missions Committee, has exercised some supervision over this parish where a small group of people are holding on to their Church. The parish was visited by the Rev. J. E. Messer and Secretary Search last spring. The pastorate is vacant.

Norcatur, St. Mark's—The Rev. Hilmer Larson of the Augustana Synod parish at Herndon, Kansas, served as supply from early in the spring until his resignation November 1. Pastors Havekost, Messer and Search have visited the parish and conducted services on occasion. The pastorate is vacant.

Oklahoma City, First—The Rev. C. N. Swihart, D. D., is conducting services pending the settlement of questions involving the parish. The pastorate is vacant.

Perth, St. James—The Missouri Synod pastor at Argonia preaches for the congregation. The pastorate is vacant.

St. Joseph, First—The pastorate was filled when the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius entered the field in June.

Valley Falls, St. Paul's—The parish became vacant December 31 when the Rev. Paul Close moved to Fort Smith. Since then Mr. Elvin Hansen, and others, from Western Theological Seminary, have conducted services weekly.

Wakeeney, Bethlehem—The pastorate technically is vacant, although Dr. G. C. Schaub is still doing effective work as supply pastor. A parsonage has been purchased.

Wellington, St. John's—The pastorate continues to be vacant. Dr. G. N. Mendenhall, of Sterling College, continues to supply the pulpit every second week.

Resignations of Pastors

The Rev. A. D. Havekost, from Hays, effective April 10.
The Rev. J. E. Messer, from Greenleaf, effective July 31.
The Rev. G. K. Mykland, from Chapman, effective October 26.
The Rev. Paul B. Close, from Valley Falls, effective December 31.
The Rev. Ernest Tonsing, from Emporia, effective March 19.

Installations

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, at St. Joseph, by Dr. J. A. McCulloch, June 20.

The Rev. H. Vance Baird, at Atchison, by Dr. A. J. Beil, June 27.

The Rev. Paul B. Close, at Fort Smith, by the President, February 10.

The Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, at Chapman, by the Rev. George Eller and the Rev. George L. Search, February 20.

Applications For Admission To Synod

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, called to First Church, St. Joseph, and the Rev. H. Vance Baird, called to St. Mark's Church, Atchison, were formally received into membership in this synod at our special convention at Lawrence, October 28. Pastor Frobenius came by transfer from the Illinois Synod and Pastor Baird from the Nebraska Synod.

Since then, I have received a letter of transfer from the Nebraska Synod for the Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, called by Scherer Memorial Church, Chapman. This has been referred to the Examining Committee for reveiw and report.

Ministers Dismissed From Synod

The Rev. J. E. Messer to the Nebraska Synod.
The Rev.G. K. Mykland to the Wartburg Synod.

Ministers Entering Army Chaplaincy

The Rev. Walter H. Moeller The Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing

Licensure

Inasmuch as Mr. William R. Eller had been approved by the Synod at its last annual convention for licensure and had been appointed by the President of the Nebraska Synod as supply pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Rising City, Nebraska, and the President of the Nebraska Synod had requested that we grant a license to Mr. Eller, the Secretary and I issued such a license as of August 23, 1943. This will expire with this meeting of Synod.

Application For Ordination

Mr. William R. Eller, senior in Western Theological Seminary and a licensee of this Synod, called to St. Luke's Lutheran Church of the Iowa Synod, Sioux City, Iowa, has applied for ordination at this session of Synod. This application has been referred to the Examining Committee for action.

Application for Licensure

Mr. Franklin Shirk, Western Seminary student, a member of our Waterville parish and currently serving as supply pastor at Greenleaf, has applied for licensure. This application has been referred to the Examining Committee.

Oklahoma City

The Oklahoma City situation requires special mention. In my report to the special meeting of the Synod, October 28th, I reviewed developments in this matter up to that date. Since that time, the Commission of Adjudication of the U.L.C.A. has made a decision on our appeal authorized last May, with reference to a Synod's recognizing the disciplinary action of another Synod, as follows:

> "In regard to Question 1: 'Should an ordained minister be received into the membership of a Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America who cannot present a certificate of transfer testifying to his good standing in the Synod from which he comes?' The answer of the Commission is 'No.'
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> "In regard to Question 2: 'Is a constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America obligated to recognize the disciplinary actions of a sister Synod?' The answer of the Commission is 'Yes). (Reasons are cited).
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> In regard to Question 3: 'Is Frederick H. Bloch a member of the Kansas Synod but under suspension?' and
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> In regard to Question 4: 'Is Frederick H. Bloch a member in good standing of a Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America?'
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> The Commission finds:
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> 1. That the powers conferred upon the Commission by the United Lutheran Church were not intended to include such matters.
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> 2. That these questions involve the action and standing of an individual who as such has no right to appeal to this Commission and should have no right to appeal from its decisions.
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> 3. That the question of discipline is fully answered by the constitution of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States and by constitution of the Synod in the Midwest.
>
> 4. That each Synod has the power of discipline over its own ministers.
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> "The question as to the manner in which one Synod should regard the disciplinary action of a sister Synod has already been answered under Questions 1 and 2."

This decision is clearly in favor of the position of this Synod, although the fact that the Commission did not answer questons 3 and 4, leaves any real effect of this action upon the situation at hand to whether or not the Midwest Synod will apply the principles here announced to this particular case. Mr. Bloch will doubtless continue to dominate the scene in Oklahoma City until the Midwest Synod recognizes our disciplinary action against him as being valid and drops his

name from its membership roll. It is to be noted, further, that the decision of the Commission does not have the force of the law of the Church until received by the next convention of the U. L. C. A.

The resolution of appeal that the Synod authorized at its special meeting October 28 was submitted to the Commission of Adjudication at its November 10th meeting. It was received and filed for consideration at a meeting March 15, 1944. I prepared and submitted a brief stating the position of our Synod on the questions proposed.

On April 1, I received from the Secretary of the Commission of Adjudication an exerpt from the Minutes of the meeting of that Commission on March 15. That part pertaining to our appeal reads as follows:

"A report was presented by the Committee on the Appeal of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. After discussion the following statement was adopted as the judgment of the Commission.

Second Appeal of the Synod of Kansas And Adjacent States

Dated October 28, 1943

The Commission of Adjudication in session at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on March 15, 1944, acknowledges receipt of the Second Appeal of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States dated October 28, 1943, propounding the following questions:

1. Should a congregation of a Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America which cannot present a certificate of dismissal and transfer be receieved into the membership of another constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. Is that part of the congregation recognized by the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States the rightful congregation of the First Lutheran Church of Oklahoma City.

3. Is the First Lutheran Church of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, a congregation of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States?

As to question one, the answer of the Commission on the basis of the policy of the United Lutheran Church in America is "No."

In harmony with the established policies of the Commission of Adjudication (See Minutes United Lutheran Church in America, Omaha Convention, 1940, pages 476 and 477) the answer to questions two and three is that the Commission is without jurisdiction.

Counsel of the Commission

In further answer to the inquiries submitted on appeal and in conformity with the powers of this commission under the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America Article VI, section 6, the

Commission of Adjudication as the authorized agent of the Church, hereby counsels the contending Synod and other parties in the interest in this controversy forthwith to end their strife in harmony with the Word of God (Matt. 18:15-17 and 1st Cor. 6:1) with further recourse to courts of civil law."

Signed: P. W. H. Frederick, President
B. H. Pershing, Secretary.
Ellis B. Burgess
George J. Gongaware
Robbin B. Wolf
Emil E. Fischer
R. R. Belter
Henry J. Arnold

This is similar to that made on our first appeal in that the position of our synod was definitely upheld on the one question of principle, but on the questions specifically related to the case at hand the commission held that it has no jurisdiction. So here, also, we must wait for the Midwest Synod to apply the principle established by the answer to Question No. 1 to the specific case at hand before the Commission's decision will be of any direct help in the settlement of the issue.

Following the close of the case in the Federal Court the Midwest Synod apparently assumed that all questions had been definitely settled, for on November 10 the congregation was formally received into the Midwest Synod at a public service by the President of that body.

The Kansas Synod congregation, being shut out of the church property, has been meeting in rented quarters with Dr. C. N. Swihart graciously serving as supply pastor. The suit instituted in the state court by members of the congregation recognized by Kansas Synod for possession of the church property has met with a series of delaying actions. The congregation is carrying on with good spirit despite the lack of a church home and regular pastoral leadership. It is to be noted that this congregation paid its apportionment to the Synod in full for 1943 and contributed liberally to Lutheran Work Action, in addition to furnishing some funds to meet expenses of the litigation.

Miscellaneous Acts of the President

On May 18 and October 6, I attended meetings of the Midland College Board of Trustees Fremont, Nebraska.

On May 28, July 27, December 8, and February 15, I presided at meetings of the Executive Committee of the Synod, at Topeka, Emporia, and Kansas City.

On May 28, August 17, November 17 and February 14, I met with our Synodical Committee on Home Missions, at Topeka or Kansas City. On February 24, I attended a meeting of the Topeka Regional Home Missions Council at Kansas City.

On several occasions I visited Oklahoma City in the interest of our Church there.

September 7 and 8 I attended the biennial conference of the presidents of the Synods of the ULCA at Philadelphia, Pa.

September 20, I certified the name of Martin Ashley, St. Joseph, to the faculty of Western Theological Seminary as a pre-theological student, to meet certain requirements of the Selective Service System for an educational deferment for the individual. On February 11, did the same for H. P. Lauritsen, Kansas City.

October 26, I visited our Church Council at Chapman relative to a new pastor.

October 27 and 28 I attended our Conference On Social Missions at Lawrence, and on the 28th I presided over the special meeting of the Synod.

March 14, I attended the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tabithan Home at Lincoln, Nebr., at the invitation of the Executive Committee of that Board.

April 12th, I participated on the program of the Pastors' Students Conference of Western Seminary at Fremont.

I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the gracious assistance given me in this office, and in the various fields of work in the Synod, by members of the Executive Committee, the various pastors and committeemen, the members of Church Councils with whom I have had some most pleasant associations, and the members of the various Churches of the Synod.

I have the following recommendations:

(1) That the Synod gratefully acknowledge the grace and power of the Lord Jesus Christ in our lives and works, and turn to Him again in fervent prayer for the continuance of His good and gracious favor.

(2) That intercession be made to the Almighty God for the men and women from our parishes who are in the armed forces of our nation in this time of strife and darkness, for those who are held captive, for those of our number, and others, who are serving as chaplains and pastors to members of the armed forces, for those whose dear ones will not return to them in this life, and for all who are in need.

(3) That, in order to help meet the present-day emergency needs of the Church in the supply of vacant pulpits, the President be authorized to seek out and commission qualified laymen to serve as lay leaders in Churches of the Synod when occasion should permit ,the same to be done in harmony with the policy with regard to lay readers, adopted at the 1920 convention of the United Lutheran Church in America. (See Minutes of U.L.C.A., 1920, pages 377, 378 and 403.)

Faithfully yours,

Geo. R. Whittecar, President.

Mr. William Eller, applicant for ordination, and Mr. Franklin Shirck, applicant for licensure, were introduced to the convention.

The report of the Executive Committee was presented. It was moved and carried that recommendation four be adopted and become a by-law of the synod. The remainder of the report was referred to the Committee on Executive Committee's report for review and recommendation.

Report of the Executive Committee

The committee met four times during the past year: On May 25, July 28, December 8 and February 15. The first meeting was held in Topeka, the second and third meetings were held in Emporia and the last meeting was held in Children's Memorial Church, Kansas City.

At the July meeting, two resignations necessitated election of several new committee members. The Rev. George Elder was elected to replace the Rev. J. E. Messer, resigned, as Western Conference President; the committee on Parish Education, also depleted by Rev. Messer's resignation, was not brought up to its former size, the Rev. B. R. Lantz being elected chairman of the committee; the Rev. Reno Frobenius was elected to the Committee On Home Missions replacing the Rev. Ernest Tonsing, who resigned to enter the Chaplaincy of the United States Army; and the Rev. R. E. Gaston was elected Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran, replacing the Rev. Ernest Tonsing.

The committee carried on its usual business, reviewing reports from the president, treasurer and committees of the Synod, allowing such bills as properly came before it, awarding contracts for the printing and distribution of minutes and Synodical newspaper and advising with the officers of the Synod. Several items of special interest came before the committee during the year:

Midland College

At its May meeting, the Midland College trustee chairman, Mr. Wayne Easterday, gave a full report on the reorganization program of the Board carried through in accordance with its report to Synod (1943 Minutes, pages (46, 47) and to other Synods on the territory of Midland. At its December meeting, the committee moved to recommend a change in the by-laws of the Synod to conform with the Midland Board's reorganization (see Recommendations at end of Report). At its February meeting, the committee received a communication from the Midland Assembly Board asking this Synod to elect a representative to that body; and the committee voted to recommend such action.

Home Life Conference

The committee voted at its May meeting to place the Rev. E. R. Harrison in charge of a Home Life Conference to be held in Lawrence, replacing the recommendation of Synod to the conferences that a program of Social Missions be on the program for fall conference meetings (1943 Minutes, page 61) At a later meeting, conference presidents reported

that ministers of the Synod seemed in favor of holding all necessary fall meetings of conferences in connection with the Lawrence Home Life Conference, and it was voted that such a plan should be worked out by those in charge. (See also Report of Committee on Social Missions.)

Special Meeting of Synod

A special Synodical meeting for the purpose of determining the will of Synod in regards to the congregation in Oklahoma City, was held in Lawrence, Kansas, on October 28, 1943, on the afternoon of the last day of the Home Life Conference. Minutes of this meeting were printed and distributed by the Secretary in keeping with the regular practice of the Synod.

Luther League

The committee voted, in accordance with request of the Rev. A. J. Beil, sponsor, that $75.00 should be granted the Luther League for use in its convention for 1943. This grant was not used (see Luther League Financial Report) because later at the sponsor's recommendation, the committee voted not to hold any Luther League convention in 1943, (see 1943 Minutes, page 62); but to recommend that individual leagues hold "emphasis meetings" on Luther League Day. It was voted not to elect a successor to the Rev. S. A. Hamrick who had been sponsor at the time of his death, but to place conduct of Luther League affairs into the hands of the Rev. A. J. Beil until another sponsor could regularly be elected by the Luther League itself.

Missionary Superintendent and Deaconess

As an attempt to lighten pressure on the President, it was voted at the July meeting to call a missionary pastor for the Synod, and to draw his salary from Home Mission Funds and Synod Treasury Funds. Final action was to depend upon (1) the approval of the Committee on Home Missions, and (2) some assistance financially from the Board of American Missions. At the December meeting it was reported that (1) the Committee on Home Missions did not approve such action and (2) the Board of American Missions had not been asked, because of the committee's action, to supply any assistance. The matter, therefore was dropped.

It was then voted to recommend that the Synod ask for a deaconess to work in the parish of the Synod President, thereby releasing him for Synodical oversight to some extent. (See Recommendations.)

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga

The camp was not opened in 1943, so there was no report given the committee for that season. At its February, 1944, meeting, the committee voted to give to the camp committee auhority to open camp in 1944 if it should judge such action advisable.

Recommendations

(as amended by Synod action)

1. The division of 1944 apportionment shall be as follows:

For U.L.C.A. and Midland College Midland College and Western Seminary to receive $557.42 monthly from the total allotment.	3.50
For Home Missions	.40
For Tabitha Home	.25
For Ministerial Education	.20
For Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15
For Synodical Treasury	.50

2. That the Synod request the assignment of a deaconess for one year, to work in the parish of the Synod President.

3. That By-law VII-7 be amended to read:

"The Synod shall elect four members, two ministers and two laymen, who together with the president of the Synod shall be its representatives on the Board of Trustees of Midland College. The term of office of each elected trustee shall be two years, beginning with the fall meeting of the Board. The election shall be so arranged that one minister and one layman shall be chosen each year. Traveling expenses of attendance at the meetings of the Board shall be paid by the Synod. The trustees shall elect their chairman. This committee shall give to the Executive Committee of Synod a report of each meeting and shall make an annual report of the Board of Trustees to the Synod."

5. That the Executive Committee shall appoint a representative to the Administrative Board of the Midland Assembly for 1 year.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. L. Search, Sec'y.

In the absence of Mr. L. T. Bang, treasurer of the Synod, the treasurer's report was presented by the Rev. A. J. Beil, D. D., together with verification of bank balances by the Citizen's National Bank of Emporia, and certification by the auditing committte as to correctness of his accounts. It was moved and carried that the treasurer be highly commended for his work in the last as well as previous years, and that the report be adopted as presented.

Verification

Emporia, Kansas, February 4, 1944.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, Kansas City, Missouri:

Gentlemen:—

This is to advise you that as of the close of business February 1st, 1944, there was a balance on hand in the Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, to the credit of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer of the Evagelical Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States in a checking account the sum of $2,583.60. Also at the close of business of the same date there was on deposit to L. T. Bang, Treasurer, Home Mission Account, in a Savings Account, the sum of $1,000.00.

Yours Very Truly,

C. V. Morris, Vice President.

Certification

Emporia, Kansas, February 26, 1944.

To The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, Kansas City, Missouri:

We, the undersigned committee, who examined the Accounts of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer, certify that we have examined the records of the Treasurer, and find that at the close of business, February 4th, 1944, he had a cash balance on hand as shown by accompanying certificates of The Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas:

Total Receipts	$35,914.12
Total Disbursements, as shown by Cancelled Vouchers	33,330.52
Total Cash Accounted For	$ 2,583.60

Records show that he has on hand in the following Funds:

Synodical Treasury	$ 516.82
Synodical Home Mission Funds	556.31
Kansas Synod Lutheran	140.00
Ministerial Education Funds	1,000.00

Undistributed Apportionment	318.32	
Tabitha Home Current Funds	50.00	
Uncancelled Voucher	1.90	
Lutheran World Action	.25	$ 2,583.60

We have also examined the records of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer of the Home Missions Funds, and find that:

The Total Receipts for 1943 Were	$ 3,137.31
Disbursements	2,581.00
Leaving a Cash Balance	$ 556.31

Yours Very Truly,

Catharine Ellenberger,
F. S. Reider,
Auditing Committee.

It was moved and carried that "Resolved (1) that the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States express profound gratitude to Almighty God for his gracious providence in giving to this Synod the loyal and efficient services of his servant, our brother, Louis T. Bang, for the past forty years, twenty-nine of these years as Synod's faithful treasurer; (2) that Synod express its sympathy with Brother Bang and his family in his present illness and assure them of our prayers in his behalf for his recovery and for the sustaining grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ; (3) that the secretary be instructed to send flowers to Brother Bang and his wife as a visible assurance of our best wishes and that the chaplain of Synod lead Synod in prayer in behalf of Brother Bang and his family for Divine Blessing upon them in their present need."

Dr. Alvin Bell, representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, requested and received the privilege of speaking of Brother Bang's high place in the esteem of the entire United Lutheran Church in America.

The Rev. Nels A. Lundgren, D. D., pastor of First Lutheran Church (A.S.), and fraternal delegate from the Augustana Synod, was introduced to Synod. It was moved and carried that he be made an advisory member.

Greetings were read to the Synod from Chaplain K. Mumford, a member of the Maryland Synod, U. L. C. A., who was stationed in Fort Riley, and the secretary was instructed to respond to his greeting.

The report of the committee on Stewardship and Benevolence was presented and adopted.

Report of Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence

In making this report we your members of the Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence want to express our appreciation and thanks for the intelligent and encouraging help given your committee by Mr. Arthur P. Black, Executive Secretary of the Laymen's Movement. His informing and helpful articles in THE LUTHERAN, his monthly letters to synodical committees and other church groups have gone far in helping to make the fine records of financial gains in the synods through out the U.L.C.A.

During the year 1943 the congregations of the synod have made one of the finest financial records in the history of the synod. More mortgages have been paid off, financial obligations of long standing have been met, larger sums have been raised for special objects, current expense payment met more promptly than for a number of past decades.

The apportionment record has been surpassed. Thirty four congregations paid more apportionment than in 1942. But two paid less and one of those because of the smaller amount apportioned. One congregation paid the same. Thirteen congregations paid in full while seven out of the thirteen paid in excess. Four congregations paid in full for the first time. Only one congregation failed to pay anything and that one has been without a pastor for a long time. A little over 77% of the total apportionment was raised.

During the year personal letters were written to pastors and church council of congregations which had paid no apportionment asking them to send contributions to our treasurer. Favorable response was made by all with only one exception. Reports have been made in the KANSAS SYNOD LUTHERAN and pastors and congregations have been urged to endeavor to meet their apportionment in full. Ways and means have been suggested for raising the apportionment. The response has been most encouraging.

The record for 1943 has been made. We should now set our minds and efforts in meeting our opportunities and obligations to Christ and the Church for 1944. We lacked a little less than 22% of meeting our apportionment in full for 1943. Your committee believes that if pastors and church councils will begin early to keep before the members the desirability of meeting our apportionment 100% it can be done. It has been demonstrated during the past year that when pastors and councilmen gave themselves to the task, that congregations which had never met the apportionment in full did so. And moreover when once the full apportionment was met it was not difficult to give in excess of the apportioned amount. Stewardship, as has often been said, is a matter of education and growth. The expression, "The grace of giving," is not a mere figure of speech but is a manifestation of growth in grace."

We present the following resolutions:

FIRST, That it is the sense of synod that every pastor and congre-

gation should do everything possible to raise their apportionment 100% and an excess if it can be done. SECOND, That we pledge our endeavors to the United Lutheran Church in America to do our utmost in meeting the apportioned amounts authorized by the ULCA.

THIRD, that the secretary is hereby instructed to express to Arthur P. Black the appreciation of this Synod for his work in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.
Ralph Rangeler
B. P. Sibole
Louis I. Bang

The Report of the Historian was presented and accepted.

Report of Synodical Historian

At the beginning of this report your historian wishes to remind the synod that 1943 marked the 75th anniversary year of the organization of our synod and that owing to war conditions the celebration of the event has been postponed with the intention of celebrating at a later date. We should not neglect to celebrate the event at the earliest possible time.

In looking over the past editions of the Kansas Synod Lutheran I find that the leading events of our congregations and synod have been recorded in them. We have been careful to maintain a complete file of this paper. Our file of the printed minutes of synod from the beginning is 100% complete. We also have in our historical archives reports of the biennial conventions of the General Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America extending back to the year 1887. In addition to these we have anniversary programs and other valuable historical documents in our files. Some of our pastors have sent us programs of special events occuring in their parishes and also newspaper accounts All these have great historical value. However there are pastors who have neglected to send data of historical interest to your historian, we not only request but urge this to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Stauffer, Historian.

It was moved and carried that the records of the Ottawa congregation, now in possession of the Rev. A. J. Beil, D. D., be left with him as long as he has need of them, then to be turned over to the historian of Synod.

It was moved and carried that the historian be instructed to complete and have bound all available copies of the Kansas Synod Lutheran and other historical data, with the approval of the executive committee.

It was moved and carried that the secretary be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of Synod for Mr. L. T. Bang, as treasurer of the Synod. The secretary cast the ballot and the president declared him elected.

The committee of tellers announced that a majority of the ballots cast for Secretary had fallen to the Rev. George L. Search, and the president declared him elected.

The report of the committee on Constitution was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Constitution

In the printed minutes of the 75th annual Convention of our Synod we call your attention to the proposed constitutional amendment proposed on pages 61 and 62.

"That Section 3 of Article V be amended to read as follows:

"1. There shall be a committee of Social Missions to consist of three ministers and two laymen appointed by the President.

"2. It shall be charged with the duty of carrying out the threefold program of Social Missions: Evangelism, Inner Missions and Social Action.

"3. It shall cultivate the ideals of Social Missions in the hearts of the congregations of the Synod and keep the Synod fully informed on the progress of the cause in regular annual reports."

Action on this amendment must be taken at this convention

The following proposed amendments to the constitution, presented at this convention for action at the 1945 convention of synod, have properly been signed by five clerical members of the synod.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Article Five, Section 4, paragraph 2 be amended to read:

"2 It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of encouraging young men of sterling character and outstanding abilities to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel; to supervise and nurture all students for the ministry coming from within the bounds of Synod; to distribute such funds as the Synod may appropriate or as may be appropriated by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America for the assistance of students for the ministry; and supervise their work under such rules as the Synod shall approve,

and to present to the Synod all such information and recommendations regarding the work of Ministerial Education as may require consideration or action."

Article Seven, Section 2 be stricken from the constitution.

The heading of Article Seven be amended to read, "Ministers.

Article Six, Section B, paragraph 1 be amended to read:

"1. Any regularly ordained minister of a constitutent Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America, applying for membership in this Synod, must have a call to a specific field of labor, such as the work in a congregation, or to some general work of the church as defined in Article Seven, Section 1, paragraph 2 of the Constitution. He shall furnish the President of the Synod evidence of his ordination and Christian character together with a letter of honorable dismissal issued by the President of the Synod from which he comes. These papers, together with the recommendation of the Prsident of the Synod, to be placed in the hands of the Examining Committee and upon their recommendation he shall be enrolled as a member of the Synod.

Signed by Rev. Robert Gaston
Rev. George W. Eller
Rev. E. E. Stauffer
Rev. Eugene R. Harrison
Rev. George L. Search

Article One, Section 3, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 be stricken from the constitution.

Article One, Section 3 be amended to read:

"This Synod shall consist of ministers and congregations in unity with the Doctrinal Basis in Section 2, received into membership as provided in Article Six."

Signed by Rev. Eugene R. Harrison
Rev. Alfred J. Beil
Rev. H. Vance Baird
Rev. Alvin D. Havekost
Rev. Paul B. Close

It was moved and carried by more than the necessary two-thirds vote that Article Five, Section 3 be amended as proposed at the 1943 convention of Synod, and the president declared the amendment in force.

The report of the Committee on Necrology was presented and adopted.

Report of the Necrologist

With gratitude to a kindly Providence your committee is happy to report that the ranks of the pastors of our Synod have not been broken by death in the past year. In these days, when fields are so white and laborers so few, we are especially grateful that those who labor in our portion of the vineyard have been spared to carry out the Master's command to preach the Gospel. Let the admonition still stand—"Be ye also ready." God grant that each of us be permitted to complete our task before the sun shall set, and to enter with joy into the Church Triumphant.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. McCulloch.

The tellers announced that a majority of ballots cast for Historian had fallen to the Rev. Eugene R. Harrison, and the president declared him elected.

Session one was adjourned with prayer, led by the convention chaplain.

The Second Session, April 18, 1944

Following devotions, led by the convention chaplain, Miss Mae Rohlfs, R. N., missionary on furlough from China, spoke to a joint meeting of the Synod and the Women's Missionary Society.

It was moved and carried that an assistant to the treasurer be elected by the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States meeting in annual session April 18th, 1944, in Children's Memorial Lutheran Church, 5001 Independence Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

It was moved and carried that said assistant to the treasurer serve during the health limitation of Louis T. Bang, reelected treasurer by action of this Synod at its first session, April 18, 1944.

It was moved and carried that said assistant to the treasurer be authorized to sign all checks to be drawn on the Synodical account deposited in the Citizen's National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, until Louis T. Bang's returning health makes possible the taking up his active duty as treasurer of Synod.

It was moved and carried that the secretary of Synod be instructed to cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for Miss Catherine Ellenberger for assistant to the treasurer. The secretary cast the ballot and the president declared her elected.

The report of the examining committee was presented and adopted.

Report of the Examining Committee

"Mr. William Eller has applied to this Synod for ordination. Mr. Eller, who was licensed for one year at the Topeka convention in 1943 will be graduated from Western Theological Seminary in May. He has accepted a call to the Morningside Lutheran Church, Sioux City,. He has been examined by the committee, has passed the examination satisfactorily, and we recommended that he be ordained.

"Mr. Franklin Shirck, midler at Western Seminary has applied for licensure for one year. He has been supplying our Lutheran Church at Greenleaf. Your committee has given Mr. Shirck a written examination and interviewed him relative to motives in entering the ministry. He has passed the examination satisfactorily and we recommend him for licensure for one year."

Mr. William Eller thanked the synod for its interest and assistance in his preparation for the ministry.

The report of the statistician was read and adopted.

Report of Statistician

Due to least in part to improvements in the form and instructions there were fewer mistakes this year than any since I have kept the statistical records. The church at Bendena was the only active church which failed to send in a report. Perth is being carried on the rolls but is inactive.

If we may read between the lines, there are signs which point to greater interest in our churches which are reflected in the following table.

Some Comparisons Between 1943 and 1942 Reports

	1943-1942		1942-1941	
	Increases	Decreases	Increases	Decreases
Baptized	482	-----	55	-----
Confirmed	340	-----	----	36
Communing	141	-----	----	182
Sunday School		108	----	552
Catechumens	19	-----	----	41
Indebtedness		$26,605.00		$11,847.00
Congregational Expense	$10,016.00		$11,760.00	
Apportionment Paid	4,814.00		17.00	
Total Benevolence	11,082.00			1,150.00
Total Expenditures	21,098.00		10,610.00	

These figures speak for themselves. Memberships increased except for Sunday Schools. Large reduction in indebtedness. Our benevolence

also showed a fine increase. Most of the increase in total expenditures is due to greater payments on indebtedness, larger benevolence, and church improvements.

Let us hope and pray that our spiritual gains are much greater than either membership or financial.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Easterday, Statistician.

It was moved and carried that the secretary cast the unanimous ballot of synod for Wayne Easterday for statistician. The secretary cast the ballot and the president declared him elected.

The report of the publicity chairman and editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran was presented and adopted.

Report of the Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran

The duties of the editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran were assured by the present editor September 1, 1943, following the resignation of the Rev. Ernest Tonsing, who resigned to enter the Chaplaincy of the United States Army. The President and Secretary of Synod edited the September and October issues of the paper because the editor was recuperating from a hospitalization at that time. The paper has been issued regularly each month and a file of the publication has been kept.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Gaston.

The motion was made and carried that when deemed advisable by the editor and publisher of the Kansas Synod Lutheran it be so printed that it may include more subject matter.

Announcement was made of results of the conference elections as follows: Presidents: Rev. George Eller, Rev. R. E. Gaston and Rev. Vance Baird. Secretaries: Rev. Alfred Mendenhall, Rev. Paul Close and Rev. Herbert Pett.

The Report of the Committee on Church Publications was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Church Publications

The Rev. Paul Close has done some splendid work in promoting the circulation of the Lutheran. Brief references to new books have been sent to the Kansas Synod Lutheran. The outstanding publications of our church in 1944 will be the new Sunday School lessons, "The Christian Growth Series." A special monthly publication for members

in the armed forces, called "The Messenger" has met with immediate success.

Your committee wishes to call attention to the reviews of recent books which appear each week in the Lutheran. The chief problem of most pastors is that they feel they cannot bear the expense of buying all the new books they would like to read. We suggest that a plan be worked out, by which each pastor, who is interested in the project, may buy a book of his own choice and send it in rotation to other pastors until it finally returns to its owner.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin D. Havekost, Chairman.

A verbal report of the LUTHERAN was received by Synod.

The report of the committee on Merger was presented and adopted.

Report of Committee on Merger

This committee has had no activity during the year. It is to be noted that the Nebraska Synod maintains a Committee On Merger and has expressed itself as being eager for the realization of a merger. The President of the Nebraska Synod has approached us recently with the suggestion of reviving a movement to merge the Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska Synods. The Midwest Synod at its last convention rejected a recommendation of its executive committee that negotiations towards a merger be renewed and apparently is not concerned with such plans at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. R. Whittecar, Ch'm.

It was moved and carried that Dr. Alvin E. Bell, D. D., be requested by the Synod to carry greetings to the Midwest Synod at its convention.

The committee of tellers reported that a majority of ballots cast for Editor of the KANSAS SYNOD LUTHERAN had fallen to the Rev. Robert E. Gaston, and the president declared him elected.

Session two was adjourned with prayer.

On Tuesday evening Mr. William Eller was ordained to the Gospel ministry. The Rev. A. J. Beil, D. D., of Trinity Church, Lawrence, delivered the ordination sermon.

After the ordination service a reception was given by the host congregation, for the delegates and visitors of the convention in the church parlors.

The Third Session, April 19, 1944

Following devotions led by the convention chaplain, Synod was addressed by the Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, D. D., president of Midland College and Western Seminary.

An invitation for Synod to meet in Eureka in 1945 was accepted by unanimous vote.

The report of Midland College trustees was presented and adopted.

Report of Trustees of Midland College and Western Seminary

The years 1943-1944 show a very definite effect of the war. The enrollment for the second semester is 148 college, 24 extension and 11 seminary. A year ago the enrollment was 271 college, 16 extension and 10 seminary. The first semester enrollment was 165 college, 50 extension and 18 seminary.

The increasing support of the synods will undoubtedly keep our school from closing as some colleges are being forced to do, but so far the support has not been great enough to allow for any appreciable reduction in indebtedness. Because of lack of funds at Christmas time the additional Christmas bonus was denied the faculty because the budget committee was forced to eliminate it. We feel the college has much to be thankful for and one of these big reasons is the fact that President Wiegman withdrew his resignation. It would have been a very serious blow to Midland College if President Wiegman had resigned at this critical time.

Even though the enrollment is down at present, we feel the college program is being carried on successfully under the direction of Dr. Wiegman. The board of education of the United Lutheran Church is conscious of the need of the colleges and will no doubt do all they can to help them maintain their present standards.

The treasurer's report showed that the college completed the years 1942-1943 with a net operating income of over $13,000.00, the total gross income being almost $142,000.00 and the gross expense less than $129,000.00. The total expenses usually exceed the gross income, which indicates a very close attention to expenditures.

Several of the college bylaws which were revised should be given consideration by synod. They are as follows:

ARTICLE III — TRUSTEES

Section 2 (A) The membership of the Board of Trustees shall be elected according to the following schedule:

(2) By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States from its members in good standing 4

And its President, by virtue of his office 1

TOTAL 5

(C) Of those Trustees elected by the several Synods, the number of laymen shall be as nearly equal the number of clergy as shall be possible numerically.

(D) The term of each elected Trustee shall be two years, beginning with the fall meeting of the Board, and the election of Trustees shall be so arranged that one-half their number, or an approximation thereto, shall be chosen each year.

The above revisions will require a change in the bylaws of the Kansas Synod so they will conform with the new bylaws governing Midland College. You will note that the term of the elected trustees shall be two years instead of three and that the new trustees' term will begin with the fall meeting instead of the spring meeting.

Last fall the Chamber of Commerce of Fremont, Nebraska gave a banquet for the Board of Trustees, the faculty, and members of the Chamber of Commerce. They did this out of their appreciation and high regard for the college and its contribution to their community. Each year they continue to give from three to four thousand dollars as their contribution to the expenses of Midland College. We are fortunate in having our college located in a town which shows real appreciation for our educational institution. It is hoped that our synod along with the other synods will contribute at least $1 per member to Midland College to further the education and dissemination of fine Christian principles.

The Western Seminary has been strengthened by the addition of another professor. The installation of Professor Syre should be of considerable importance to the seminary and college because of Professor Syre's energetic pursuit of his work, his fine conception of his duties and responsibilities, and the young blood which he brings into the seminary's activities. Mrs. Syre is a good counterpart of her husband.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Easterday, Statistician.

It was moved and carried that Synod endorse and actively cooperate with the projected financial campaign for $225,000 by Midland College and Western Seminary for the retirement of debt, improvement of faculty and establishment of a fund to build a men's dormitory. This campaign to begin this fall and to extend until the goal is reached.

It was moved and carried that Synod appoint a committee to cooperate in promoting the projected financial campaign. This committee is to consist of the synodical members of the board of trustees and the conference presidents.

It was moved and carried that recommendation 3 in the report of the Executive committee be adopted. (See page 30).

It was moved and carried that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Wayne Easterday as a member of Midland College. The ballot was cast and the president declared him elected.

Mrs. Walter Selle was introduced to Synod, who brought greetings from the Women's Missionary Society and presented a verbal report from the Women's Missionary Society.

The third session was adjourned with prayer, led by the chaplain.

The Fourth Session, April 19, 1944

Following devotions by the Convention Chaplain, the Rev. Alvin E. Bell, D. D., official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America addressed a joint meeting of the Synod and the Women's Missionary Society.

It was moved and carried that Dr. Alvin E. Bell, as representative of the United Lutheran Church in America to the Synod of the Midwest and the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States be requested to express to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church its sincere regret over the strained relations which have developed between these two Synods and to request the President of the United Lutheran Church or the Executive Board to call a conference between the president and secretaries of each of these Synods together with one additional clergyman and two laymen from each Synod chosen by the respective Synodical presidents, this joint committee to meet with a representative or representatives of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America in an effort to compose the differences between these two Synods in the spirit of prayer and Christian fellowship and good will.

On recommendation of the committee on reference and counsel, it was moved and carried that:

1. We gratefully acknowledge a fraternal letter received from Dr. J. C. Hershey, president of the Synod of Nebraska and that a fraternal delegate be sent to the synodical convention of the Synod of Nebraska to be held April 24, 25 and 26 in St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebr.

2. A fraternal delegate be sent to the Augustana Synod, Kansas Conference, being held at Lindsborg, Kansas on April 19-23.

3. We acknowledge with sincere thanks the fraternal greetings received from the American Lutheran Church which held a convention April 14-18, and that we express regret at not being able to respond to the invitation to send a fraternal delegate to the American Lutheran

Church convention of the Central District, due to the lateness of the hour.

4. The election of a clerical member to the Midland College Board of Trustees be the first item of this sessions program.

5. The Rev. Eugene R. Harrison be given a hearing on the subject of aiding the president in reviewing the state of the church.

The Rev. W. H. Bratt, Missouri Synod, service pastor at the Lutheran Service Center, K. C., Mo., was introduced to Synod and brought his greetings with an invitation to visit the center.

The committee of tellers reported that the Rev. Reno Frobenius had received a majority of the ballots cast for clergy member of the Midland College Board of Trustees and the president declared him elected.

The report of the committee on Brotherhood was presented and adopted, after which the synod recessed for the annual meeting of the Brotherhood of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

Report of the Committee on Synodical Brotherhood

Your Committee on Brotherhood wishes to report that the condition of Brotherhoods in our churches is, in general, most healthy; these organizations taking an active part in the congregational programs as well as promoting the Brotherhood Objectives.

Approximately half of the congregations of Synod report active Men's Brotherhoods, with a total membership of more than 400. This represents a decrease from the 1942 membership of about 100 members; caused by the calling of the younger men into the Nation's services.

Your Brotherhood committee wishes to submit the following recommendations to Synod:

1. That the Synodical Committee on Brotherhood consist of two ministers who are actively interested in Brotherhood work, and one layman, preferably the president of the Synodical Brotherhood; who shall be charged with an intensive Brotherhood promotional program designed to seek the organization of an active Brotherhood in every congregation of Synod.

2. That arrangements be made by Synod to designate at least one of its delegates to the U. L. C. A. convention at the delegate from the Synodical Brotherhood to the U. L. C. A. Brotherhood convention; a portion of his extra expense to be paid by the Synodical Brotherhood.

3. That all congregations of Synod be asked to observe National Brotherhood Sunday as a project to interest laymen in the congregation's program; irrespective of whether an active Brotherhood is in operation in the congregation.

Your committee desires to express its appreciation for the courtesies extended the Brotherhood by the officers and pastors of Synod during the past year.

Sincerely, Evan W. Tonsing, Chairman.

For proceedings of the 1944 annual convention of the Men's Brotherhood see page 67.

The Fifth Session, April 20, 1944

Following devotions by the convention Chaplain, the Rev. (Capt.) Lightner A. Swan, of the U. S. Army, addressed the Synod.

Following the report of the committee on tellers, the president declared Messers H. T. Jost, G. R. Ryan, F. O. Trepp and W. E. Dunkin duly elected lay delegates to the Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church, in the order named. It was moved and carried that those four nominees who were not elected should be designated alternates in the order of votes cast for them, and the president accordingly declared Messers Wm. Guenther, A. H. Goult, Fred Kloepper and Elmer Hoveland alternate delegates in the order named.

The report of Tabitha Home Trustees was presented and adopted.

Report of Tabitha Home Trustees

The books are closed on another year of service rendered by Tabitha Home to the Church, and it is with a sense of gratitude to Almighty God for opportunities to serve, and for Tabitha Home as an instrument of service, that we briefly report the activities of the Home during 1943 under the consecrated and spiritual leadership of Superintendent Ebright.

At present there are 74 aged guests in Tabitha, and during the year 39 were received, 18 dismissed and 14 passed away. Thirty-seven children are now in the Home and during the year 26 were received and 27 were dismissed. The Tabitha family is a constantly changing family.

A trained case worker has become a necessity in order to meet state requirements. Miss Esther Johnson, a Midland graduate, is now working on her Masters degree at the University of Nebraska and will soon be qualified to take over this work.

Thruout the year Tabitha has been without the services of a Deaconness for the daily spiritual ministrations in the Home, the reason being that no Deaconnesses are at present available.

The problem of employed personnel has been most pressing. Only a fine loyalty to Tabitha and the Lutheran Church has kept several fine workers on the staff. Salaries have been raised for all workers.

Financially the year has been good. Income has exceeded the operating expense of the Home. The financial statement will give the details. The audit shows $60,375.59 in the Building Fund at the close of 1943. This has increased since that time.

The New Building, fireproof and modern in every detail, will be a reality, God willing, as soon as post-war conditions will permit. The present buildings are being kept in a good state of repair, the main building reroofed, and alterations being made to the heating system which greatly increased the efficiency of the heating plant during this past winter.

The Congregations of this Synod look to Tabitha with love and goodwill, and have shown this by many fine contributions to the general work and also to the Building fund. Synod has had suitable representation in this work, both your trustees attending the annual Board meeting, and your clerical trustee serving on the Executive Committee and as Treasurer of the Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Reuben Levine
R. E. Rangeler

It was moved and carried that the secretary be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of Synod for Reubin Levine, Marysville, Kansas as lay member of the Tabitha Home Board. The Secretary cast the vote and the president declared him elected.

The report of the committee on Parish Education was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Parish Education

The Parish and Church School Board called a meeting of representatives of the Iowa, Midwest, Nebraska and Kansas Synods for a conference on Christian Education in Omaha, January 20th. Your chairman attended at the request of Secretary Erwin S. Spees and president Whittecar. The entire day was spent in studying problems of Christian education with special attention given to the forthcoming Christian Growth Series. The first quarter of the first year of he Primary, Junior and Intermediate Departments will be ready for the schools on the first of October of this year.

The Board is concerned that all pastors and all Church School workers shall have understanding of the Series. To attain this clarity and so that cordial reception may be given to the Series a Coaching Conference and District meetings will be held beginning with the Conference in Salina, Sunday, September 17. This Conference will be a District meeting also for Abilene, Chapman and New Cambria. Secretary Spees will explain to capable workers in the three departments the

whole scope of the Series. These workers in turn will attend the District meetings with the Rev. Mr. Spees and give instruction how to prepare and teach the lessons of The Christian Growth Series. The District meetings following the Salina meeting will be held September 18 at Hays for Ellis, Russell, Bunker Hill, Excelsior, Wakeeney, Hoisington; on the 19th at Beloit for Glasco; on the 20th at Waterville for Greenleaf; on the 21st at St. Joseph for Atchison, Bendena, Lancaster, Rockport, Langdon, Valley Falls; on the 22nd at Kansas City St. Mark's for children's Memorial and Trinity; on September 24th at Lawrence for Topeka; on the 25th at Hutchinson for Emporia and Eureka; on the 26th at Wichita for Wellington and Peabody; on the 27th at Oklahoma City for the two Churches and Perry; on the 28th at Tulsa for Ft. Smith and Stillwater; on the 29th at Sedalia. The pastors and their congregations where the meetings are held will be hosts and will be responsible for promotion. Representatives of the Augustana and American Lutheran Church will be invited to attend the District meetings inasmuch as this is a co-operative project.

In January I sent an inquiry covering several areas of Christian Education to the pastors. These activities are recommended by the Parish and Church School Board and that is the reason they are covered in this report. Fifteen replies were received. The trend reveals that our congregations generally observe Christian Education Month in September and plan for it several months ahead. Only 4 Leadership Courses were held this past year. The enrollment was 59 with 33 credits given. Not one pastor reported use of the Score Sheet. Practically all the congregations observe Rally and Promotion Days with public installation of officers and teachers. The fifteen reports showed only 57 subscriptions to Parish School Magazine. Seven Daily Vacation Bible Schools were held with an enrollment of 31—Lawrence leading with 115 scholars. Confirmand Rallies are not popular. Ten pastors report two year Confirmation Classes. All pastors report one year confirmation class with hours varying from 20 to 72. Eleven pastors report Adult Classes with hours ranging from 5 to 20. One pastor carries on home instruction. Only two courses were given in Christian Family Life. Pastors indicate this subject receives continuous attention in the pulpit and elsewhere. Every pastor sent the report on Parish Education to Mr. Easterday.

The Board calls attention to the decrease in our Church Schools from 832,000 in 1934 to 755,000 in 1942. The Board appeals to us for an aggressive program of enlistment. To this end it promises (a) a program to develop consecration among the workers of the Church to overcome discouragement in the midst of the unusual situations which the workers face today (b) A program of enlistment to rebuild the rapidly falling enrollment, (c) a program of visitation to help in this enlistment to help develop the strained family life in our communities.

The Parish and Church School Board has promoted The Children of the Church Series and the Christian Youth Series for use in weekday

and vacation Church Schools. The Children of the Church continues to grow. The budget for the year, $12,000 was oversubscribed $2,594.

The Parish School Magazine is a most valuable monthly dealing with methods, materials, programs of worship and Church festivals—with helps of various kinds. The fifteen reports show 58 subscriptions. Our Synod subscriptions decreased from 91 to 71 in 1943 over the previous year. Only one other Synod showed a decrease. The Board aims at a 10,000 subscription this year. Our Synod should set a goal of not less than 100 subscriptions.

The Junior Camp for which the Parish Education Committee is in part responsible will be merged with the Luther League Camp this year and will be held July 23 to 28. Capable instructors will be secured and proper courses selected for these age groups.

The Parish and Church School Board in cooperation with Camp Nawaka still offers a few scholarships to the representatives of our Synod.

Recommendations

1. That we express now our appreciation of all officers and teachers in our Church Schools who so faithfully administer and instruct in the Word of God and implore God's blessing upon them.

2. That we encourage all our Church School workers to be faithful and diligent in their high calling, seeking by personal contact, careful preparation and prayer to preserve the present enrollment in our Schools and ever be on the alert to secure new enrollments.

3. That we approve the Parish and Church School Board's plan of a Coaching Conference and promotional District meetings and pledge ourselves to call upon our Church School workers to attend.

4. That we study the publicity sources which make plain the Christian Growth Series and acquaint our people with the Series as far as possible before the District meetings.

5. That we ask not only the host Churches but each congregation to make a voluntary contribution to meet the expenses of the District meetings since it is evident that each congregation will benefit by the meetings. It is understood that this recommendation is not made by the Parish and Church School Board which promises to meet one third of the expenses of the meetings and asks the Synods to meet two thirds.

6. That we recognize the high quality and merits of the Parish School Magazine, acknowledge our indebtedness to its editors for its instructional and inspirational and practical values and request our pastors and superintendents to do all in their power to get a larger reading and circulation of the Magazine in the School of our Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
B. R. Lantz.

The report of the secretary for Children of the Church was presented and adopted.

Report on the Children of the Church

No successor to Mrs. Helen Tonsing, who resigned during the year as Synodical Secretary of the Children of the Church, has yet been named by the Committee on Parish Education. An inquiry by Mrs. Mabel Fenner, Secretary of the Children of the Church, U. L. C. A., resulted in the Secretary of the Synod seeking the names and addresses of local secretaries of the Children of the Church.

Ten congregations of the Synod responded with names and addresses of local secretaries and two congregations responded with the information that C. of C. material is used in Vacation Bible Schools.

The Secretary made no attempt to discover membership or attendance at local C. of C.'s, but such information is available to some extent in the parochial report of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

George L. Search.

Adjustments were made by vote of synod on the division of apportionment recommended by the Executive committee, and these changes together with recommendations two and five of the committee's recommendations were adopted on recommendation of the committee on Executive Committee.

Report of the Committee on Executive Committee

"Our committee has examined the report of the executive committee whose duty is to conduct the business of Synod between the interim of synodical annual meetings. We find that the committee has held four meetings during the year and that it has given careful and prayerful consideration to all business coming before it and that the committee's secretary has kept accurate and approved minutes of all sessions. The Executive committee has made five recommendations to Synod, two of which have already been acted upon favorably by Synod. There remain recommendations 1, 2 and 5 to be considered. Your committee recommends the adoption of all these three. (see action above).

The report of the committee on Work with Students was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Work With Students

The annual Student Census, sponsored by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church and carried out by the Synodical Committee on Work with Students in cooperation with the Women's Mission

ary Society, was conducted during the month of October. Eighteen of the forty-one parishes responded to the census, reporting a total of 61 students as compared with 133 students the previous years. These 61 students were attending 28 different institutions. Twelve students were attending Lutheran institutions, seven of these being students at Midland College. Three young men were reported to be preparing for the Christian Ministry. One young woman was reported to be preparing herself for the duties of a Parish Worker, while six young women were taking nurses training.

The names of Lutheran students of our synod, attending schools in communities other than their own, were placed on the mailing list of the Kansas Synod Lutheran. It is more and more important that pastors and church organizations maintain contact with their students and young members in the armed forces, through the sending of letters and church bulletins. Many young people in military service have made decisions to enter full-time Christian service after the war. Let us encourage our young men and young women to continue their education and prepare for Christian leadership when the peace comes.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin D. Havekost, Chairman .

Reports of the three conference presidents were presented and adopted.

Report of the Western Conference

The office of president of the conference became vacant with the removal of the Rev. J. Ernest Messer from the bounds of Synod. The office was filled by appointment. The conference held a short meeting in connection with the special meeting of Synod held in Trinity Lutheran Church, Lawrence. No Fall Conference was held. On February 20, 1944, the Rev. Alfred Mendenhall was installed as pastor of Sherer Memorial Church in Chapman. Officers will be elected at the coming session of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Eller.

Report of the Southern Conference

The Southern Conference did not meet this Fall but joined with the rest of the Synod in the Conference of Social Missions at Trinity Church, Lawrence, in October.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene R. Harrison.

Report of Eastern Conference

By action of the Executive Committee no separate meeting of the Eastern Conference was held this year. A meeting was held on May 5, 1943 at Topeka, Kansas when Rev. D. L. McConnell of Rock Port, Mo. was elected President for one year and Rev. Herbert H. Pett of Lancaster, Kansas was elected Secrtary-Treasurer for one year. We have a balance of $7.56 in the treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

D. L. McConnell, President.

The report of the committee on Social Missions was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Social Missions

The 1942 Evangelism program of twenty-six congregations produced 261 new members in Synod. The losses among eight Churches numbered 170 members. The total net gain in 91 members.

The committee urges the re-reading of all Board of Social Missions literature. The entire program includes three departures: Inner Missions, Moral and Social Welfare, and Evangelism.

The Social Mission Conference sponsored by the three districts of Synod proved helpful and instructive. The theme was "The Christian Home." The Rev. Eugene Harrison served as chairman. The meeting was held at Lawrence, October 27 and 28. Dr. Franklin Koch, Social Missions Secretary of the U. L. C. A., was the main speaker. Three other speakers from state institutions having responsibility for the welfare of the family appeared on the program.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred J. Beil.

On recommendation of the committee on Social Missions, it was voted that the topic of the conference meeting or meetings to be held this fall cover the questions and problems involved in a Christian Peace, and that the entire program of Social Missions as related to the Synod be reviewed as a part of the conference programs.

The report of the committee on Ministerial Education was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Ministerial Education

Your committee reports three young men have been assisted financially during this year. They are:

Olney Eaton $200.00

Wilfred Henning	200.00
Martin C. Ashley	275.00
Total	$675.00

Messrs. Eaton and Henning are second year men at the Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa.; Mr. Ashley is a first year man at Midland College and has been deferred by his draft board for two years in order to complete his pre-professional training. He must attend summer school so it has been necessary to grant him more financial assistance than is usual.

During the year Mr. Ernest Harder of Midland, Michigan, has repaid to this committee $800.00 which was advanced him in other years to prepare himself for the ministry. However, he elected another field of service and has paid back the money that was loaned him through the Synod.

There is no way to anticipate how many will need assistance in the coming year. The committee anticipates more men entering their training for the Church as soon as the war is over and feels the need of building up a reserve fund for this cause. Therefore we recommend that 20c be included in the synodical budget for the work of this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene R. Harrison.

It was moved and carried that By-law VII-3 be suspended for the duration of the war.

BY-LAW VII-3

The amount paid any student by this Synod annually shall not exceed $250.00. The Ministerial Education Committee shall be allowed to aid any student they see fit, aside from those designated by the Synod provided the funds be in their hands to do so.

The report of the committee on Foreign Missions was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions

The Board of Foreign Missions of the U. L. C. A. conducted a deputation school of missions in Gettysburg, Pa., May 30-June 4, 1943, to which each Synod was invited to send a representative. The Rev. George L. Search represented the Synod of Kansas at this school, which was planned to promote discussion as to possible methods of improving the education of the Church along mission lines. As a result of the week's discussions a series of recommendations were made to the Board of Foreign Missions and to the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society of the U. L. C. A.

Growing out of the school also was a plan for promoting mission study groups in congregations of the United Lutheran Church, and late

last year Handbooks were available to those congregations who wished to conduct such study groups.

In the Kansas Synod we attempted to establish a number of study groups using Miss Lillith Schwab and Mrs. C. W. Moore; both of whom were assigned to us by the Board of Foreign Missions. Realizing that were were experimenting, the programs were left entirely to those missionaries visiting the congregations, and the lack of Handbooks as well as necessary variations in the congregations' time-tables handicapped the work to some extent.

Miss Schwab was able to conduct a study group for three successive nights in Lancaster; she visited auxiliary groups in Tulsa, Hays, Lawrence, Peabody and Wichita; Mrs. C. W. Moore was able to conduct a two-night school in Waterville; and visited Beloit and Glasco for one-night lectures.

On the basis of information gleaned by the visits of our two guests, the Committee on Foreign Missions hopes to establish study groups in as many congregations as possible in the next year. The Handbook "Forth" will be supplied pastors to the extent of six to a congregation free of charge, and the supplementary textbook, "Spotlight," has recently been sent pastors of the U. L. C. A.

Although the original idea was to have leaders supplied from the furloughed missionaries in the United States, it has been suggested that pastors might well lead the discussions in their own congregations, or that laymen might be found to lead.

Besides the visits of Miss Schwab and Mrs. Moore, as deputation visitors, we were able to have Miss Bertha Koenig visit some of the Eastern Conference Churches during January, 1944. She visited Atchison, Rockport-Langdon, Sedalia, Cole Camp, Trinity in Kansas City and Children's Memorial in Kansas City. Emphasis in 1944 Epiphany season was on the Argentine field. The Board of Foreign Missions furnished supplies for pastors who were willing to place emphasis on the project, but the committee has not had any reports as to the response by our Kansas Synod pastors.

Respectfully submitted,

George L. Search.

The report of the committee on Home Missions was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Home Missions

Your Committee on Home Missions is able to report real progress in many of our congregations despite the man power shortage. One congregation is becoming completely self-supporting by refusing to ask for the $200 they received from Synod last year. Two congregations

are accepting reductions of $60 and $50 in aid from Synod. Two important missions, formerly without regular pastors, have secured pastors. Three mission congregations have purchased parsonages. One congregation is accepting a reduction of $100 in aid from the Board of American Missions. Two congregations paid off sizable old loans to the Board of American Missions.

St. Lukes's, Fort Smith Arkansas: After this congregation had been without a regular pastor for 14 months, it called the Rev. Paul Close, who took up the work on January 1, 1944. The Rev. J. E. Hummon, Mr. Morris Zumbrun (a theological student from Gettysburg Seminary), and the military chaplains from Camp Chaffee served the congregation in the absence of a regularly called pastor. The Board of American Missions will grant $500 in salary aid and the National Lutheran Council will pay $300 in 1944 for the services of the pastor in the Lutheran Service Center at Fort Smith. Your committee gave its approval to a loan of $5,000 from the Board of American Missions for the purchase of a parsonage, and lent $200 for three months as down payment on this property.

Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas: The Rev. W. I. Guss was assigned to this congregation by the Board of American Missions after the Rev. W. Wilbur Klover was called into the chaplaincy in the summer of 1942. Your committee wishes to express its deep appreciation to the Rev. Guss for his tireless efforts in this field. Trinity Church paid $798 on apportioned benevolence and approximately $1,800 on interest and principal of the debt last year. The Rev. Alvin D. Havekost was called on February 27th, to arrive in Kansas City after Easter. The Board of American Missions will grant $768 in salary aid for 1944.

Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, the Rev. E. R. Harrison, pastor: This congregation has made splendid financial progress in the past year. It has paid $2,000 on a Church Extension note and reroofed the entire church property, with the aid of hail insurance, at a cost of $569. There has also been a fine increase in benevolence payments. The pastors salary has been increased $200, for 1944. The grant of the Board of American Missions will be $550, which is a reduction of $100 from last year. The Synod will pay $300, the same amount paid last year.

Zion's, Beloit, Kansas, the Rev. George Eller, pastor: This congregation has shown a fine spirit. In the past year, the communicant membership was the highest in the history of the congregation. Members of the congregation have taken an active part in making many repairs and improvements on the church property. Shingles have been purchased for the church and money has been provided for repointing the masonry. The grant from the Committee on Home Missions will be $180, a reduction of $60 from last year's grant.

Bethlehem, Wakeeney, Kansas, the Rev. G. C. Schaub, Ph.D., supply pastor. Bethlehem Church purchased a parsonage for $4,500, paying $3,000 in cash and giving a note for $1,500 and mortgage on the parson-

age to a member of the congregation to cover the remainder. Pastor Schaub reported 40 new adult members on Easter last year. The grant from the Committee on Home Missions will be $200, a reduction of $50 from last year.

St. Mark's, Norcatur, Kansas: The Rev. Hilmar Larson, pastor of the Augustana congregation at Herndon, Kansas served our congregation at Norcatur, until last fall, when he received a call to another parish. Rev. Larson held a service on one Sunday morning each month, brought membership records up to date and offered other pastoral services for which he received $25 per month from the Norcatur congregation. Your committee has been attempting to make arrangements to have this congregation served by a neighboring Lutheran pasor.

St. Paul's, Long Island, Kansas: This congregation has been without a pastor for several years. The chairman of your committee held a service in the home of one of the members on September 19th, with about 30 persons present. The church building is badly in need of repair, materials for which will cost approximately $100. Your committee is offering to pay $50 of the expense of repairing the building.

First, Topeka, Kansas, the Rev. Ralph Rangeler, pastor: Last year this congregation received $200 from Synod. We are happy to announce that First Church is completely self-supporting this year. Congratulations are in order, to the pastor and the congregation for this splendid progress.

Trinity, Sedalia, Missouri, the Rev. Samuel Jensen, pastor: This congregation made real progress last year. An old Church Extension loan of $574 was paid off. The budget of the Committee on Home Missions $300 in salary aid.

St. Paul's Valley Falls, Kansas: This parish has been vacant since January 1st. Under the leadership of the Rev. Paul Close the congregation raised $1,000 to pay off an old loan to the Board of American Missions. A new loan of $2,000 was obtained from the Board of American Missions for the purchase of a parsonage.

Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo., the Rev. J. A. McCulloch, D. D., pastor: This congregation receives a grant of $200 to be applied on payment of interest as instructed by the 1941 convention of Synod. The congregation expects to be able to do without this grant next year.

The Ottawa Fund: The following resolution was passed by the Committee on Home Missions at its meeting on August 17, 1943:

Be it resolved by the Committee on Home Missions, that

Inasmuch as the proceeds from the sale of the Ottawa property represent a building investment and should not be regarded the same as current operating funds,

1. The committee preserve the $1625 received as net proceeds from the sale of the Ottawa property for future use in a home mission project

in the Synod of a permanent nature, such as a lot or building;

2. That the Treasurer be directed to separate $1,000 of the present balance in the home mission treasury and place it in a savings account until it is needed for such purpose; and

3. That at least $200 be added to this fund from the home mission treasury each year until the total amount of $1625 shall have been so separated and deposited. Carried.

The president of Synod, acting as ex-officio member of the Committee on Home Missions, contacted our congregation at Wichita, Kansas to obtain consent and cooperation in making a survey with the prospect of establishing a new mission in Wichita. The Church Council of this congregation passed a formal resolution stating that in its opinion such action was not feasible at this time.

The commitee through its chairman and the president of Synod participated with other Lutheran bodies in this territory in the Topeka Regional Lutheran Home Mission Council. A report on this council will follow this report.

Questions which puzzle the members of your Committee on Home Missions: In the light of the present emergencies, would it be advisable

1. To establish circuits in which several missions and self-supporting congregations could be served by one pastor, for the duration?

2. To make special efforts to organize new mission congregations in strategic locations?

The Budget for 1944:

For Salary Aid from the Board of American Missions:

St. Luke's, Fort Smith, Arkansas	$ 500.00
Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas	768.00
Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas	550.00

Grants from the Home Missions Committee:

Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas	$ 300.00
Zion's, Beloit, Kansas	130.00
Bethlehem, Wakeeney, Kansas	200.00
Trinity, Sedalia, Missouri	300.00
Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo.	200.00
St. Paul's, Long Island, Kansas	50.00
Ottawa Fund	200.00
Committee Expense	200.00
TOTAL	$1,630.00

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. A. Harkness, Jr., Sec'y.

It was moved and carried that the committee on Home Missions be instructed to request the Board of American Missions to place a Board Missionary in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The Report on the Topeka Regional Council of Home Missions was presented and adopted.

Report of Topeka Regional Lutheran Home Missions Council

The Council represents five branches of the Lutheran Church in the State of Kansas and adjacent territory. These branches are the United Lutheran Church, the Augustana Synod, the American Lutheran Church, the United Danish Lutheran Church, and the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The President of your Synod and the chairman of the Committee on Home Missions represented the United Lutheran Church on the Council. One meeting was held at the Lutheran Service Center in Kansas City, Missouri. The Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer, Director of the Commission on American Missions of the National Lutheran Council attended this meeting. Representatives of the United Lutheran Church, the Augustana Synod, and the American Lutheran Church were present.

A request had been made by representatives of the American Lutheran Church for a survey of Oklahoma City to investigate the need of a new mission congregation in this field. A preliminary survey was made by Miss Ruth Meyer, of the Commission on American Missions. The survey showed two suburban districts in which Lutheran missions might be established. In the light of the unsettled condition of the U.L.C.A. congregation in Oklahoma City, it was agreed to permit the American Lutheran Church to make a detailed study in this city and report back to the Council regarding the desired location of their new mission.

Other fields for new missions were reviewed. The need of establishing a new mission congregation in Wichita, Kansas, by the American Lutheran Church was discussed. A committee, composed of a member from each Lutheran body represented at the meeting, was appointed to make a preliminary study of the mission possibilities in Kansas City, Missouri. Dr. J. A. McCulloch was appointed to represent the United Lutheran Church.

The Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer reported on the Christian ministry to Lutheran workers in defense industry areas. He said the great need is more men and women who are qualified for this type of work.

The problem of vacant mission parishes was discussed. The Council is eager to help work out plans by which pastors from the various

bodies of the Lutheran Church can cooperate in supplying vacant neighboring parishes.

The Rev. Hoyer presented Suggested Procedures for Regional Lutheran Home Mission Councils as recommended by the Commission on American Missions. These Procedures were adopted by the Council after a brief adaptations had been made. The Procedures are as follows:

PROCEDURES

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The Topeka Regional Lutheran Home Missions Council Introduction:

The Commission on American Missions recommended the establishment of a new Regional Council covering Ontario and Eastern Canada. The total number of Councils, therefore, numbering twenty-six.

The Old Lutheran Home Mission Council of America found a constitution necessary because it was not connected with any parent body, and, therefore, had to exist as a separate organization with constitutional regulations. The dissolving of the Lutheran Home Mission Council automatically dissolved all of the constitutions which it had put into effect and left the Regional Councils without any definite guidance. Under the new arrangement, the Commissions is responsible to the National Lutheran Council and the twenty-six Regional Councils are responsible to the Commission on American Missions. The Commission was not ready to propose a new constitution for the Regional Councils, nor was it sure that there should be a definite constitution for them. However, members of the Commission recognized that the Regional Councils would have to have some rules and procedures under which they could operate and the following was adopted as a guide to the Regional Council activities:

I. NAME:

We will, for the time being, continue using the name,, Topeka Regional Lutheran Home Missions Council," operating under the "Commission on American Missions of the National Lutheran Council".

II. MEMBERSHIP:

Each Regional Council shall have not more than two voting delegates for each Lutheran General Body participating in the Council. These Councilors shall be selected by the General Body Presidents or the Board of Home Missions. The Tenure of office which has been suggested to the General Body Presidents is two years, with the present term of all Councilors expiring on March 30, 1944.

III. The officers shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, whose terms shall be one yar. Other officers and committees may be elected and appointed as determined by the Regional Council from time to time. Officers shall be so elected that no two officers come from the same church body.

IV. MINUTES AND REPORTS:

A copy of the minutes of each meeting of the Regional Council should be sent to the Executive Director of the Commission on American Missions, Room 643, Utilities Building, 327 S. La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, a copy to each member of the council, and one to each administrative executive of the the bodies in the area.

V. ADJUSTMENTS OF CONTROVERSIES:

Whenever a controversy concerning the occupancy of a mission field is called to the attention of a Regional Lutheran Home Missions Council, it shall be the duty of the officers to endeavor to effect an amicable settlement by council and mutual agreement. If the Regional Council fails in its endeavor to settle a controversy to the mutual satisfaction of the parties concerned, it may be referred to the Commission on American Missions for adjudication.

VI. FINANCES:

Adminitrative expenses of the Regional Council:

1. A total sum not to exceed $25.00 annually will be allowed each Regional Council by the Commission on American Missions to cover its local operating expenses, such as postage, stationery, mimeographing, etc.

2. Any specific projects contemplated such as survey work, publications, hiring of help of any kind, which involves a greater expenditure than the amount allowed for normal operating expenses shall first be submitted to the Director of the Commission on American Missions before any committments are made. If such a project is approved by the Commission, the expenses will be paid by the Commission. We deem it highly inadvisable for local Regional Councils to make finance solicitations among their constituency, either from local congregations or area mission boards.

B. Traveling expenses for the Councilors:
In view of the fact that each General Body appoints the Regional Councilors as they deem advisable, regardless of the distances involved, each General Body will continue to pay all traveling expenses for their representatives.

VII. MEETINGS:

Regular meetings shall be held in January and September, the one held in September to be the annual meting. Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee.

Final notice of each meeting should be sent out to members of the Council and to administrative executives in the area at least ten days before the meeting, and in such notice an agenda of the known items to come before the meeting should be listed, including as far as possible all requests for fields that have been submitted to the Council for action.

Any number of councilors representing at least three bodies, shall constitute a quorum.

VIII. Outline of Procedures pertaining to all Home Mission Activity:

A. Suggested procedure for pre-empting an open mission field:

1. Each Regional Council shall devote at least one meeting a year to a study of the possible open home mission fields within the region. These fields shall then be assigned for survey study to the bodies cooperating with the Council on the basis of the ability of these bodies to conduct such survey studies. Cooperating groups may come to this study meeting prepared to state how many fields each is able to take for study during the year.

Assignment of the fields for study does not obligate the group conducting the study to establish mission work in the area, even if the survey reveals the opportunity for such work. However, the surveying group shall have opportunity to present request to occupy that field, if it so desires, and other things being equal, a presumption shall be established in favor of the group making the survey to establish work in the area surveyed.

2. Any general body may make requests to occupy open fields to the Regional Council. The Regional Council shall grant such requests unless protests are registered from other representatives or, in the good judgment of the Regional Council, there are factors which shall delay or prevent approval. A field thus assigned shall be occupied within six months from the date of assignment or it shall be declared again. Requests to occupy a field shall be made at a regularly called meeting of the Regional Council.

If there are protests, or if factors brought out in the discussion indicate that further information is needed before the field is awarded, the Council shall ask the general body to make a survey or arrange for such a survey, and the Council shall consider the question again when the survey information has been reported. Such survey and decision shall be completed within the time limit set by the Council in each specific instance.

3. Any general body not ready to occupy a field may indicate its interest in a prospective field by requesting permission to survey such field. If possible such survey requests shall be made at a regularly called meeting of the Regional Council and assignments for survey of such fields shall be made at this meeting.

In the event that situations shoud arise so that it is not possible to present a request for survey at a meeting, the requests may be mailed to the president of the Regional Council, who in turn shall notify members of the Council that this request has been made. Requests to survey such fields shall be granted unless objection is registered with the president of the Council within ten days from date of the mailing of such notice of request for survey.

4. Surveys should be completed within six months after requests have been filed. The analysis of this survey together with a request to occupy the field, or with any other recommendations that the surveying body might wish to make, shall be given to the Council before the end of the six months period.

5. If the General Body making the survey desires to establish mission work in the territory studied, it shall be given the right to do so. The Church Body must exercise the privilege of beginning this new mission within an additional six months, or within one year from the date of the original survey request. Otherwise the field shall be declared open again.

6. In the event that the body making the survey should not desire to establish a mission in this field or should fail to do so within the prescribed time, the entire survey, including the cards, should be turned over to the Regional Council.

7. There will be many problems involved which require judicious handling. Each Regional Council is urged to keep in mind the basic principles of cooperation and mutual assistance in rendering all decisions.

B. Suggested Procedure to be followed in the Assignment of "Open Fields":

1. In the event that two or more church bodies indicate interest simultaneously , or the Council discovers through its own investigations, new fields for Lutheran Churches, they shall render a decision recommending the field to one of the Lutheran Mission Boards. In all such cases, a survey of the field should be made and the outcome of the survey presented to the Regional Council before they make a decision.

2. This decision shall be made with the following considerations in mind:

a. The Church body preferences expressed in the survey.
b. The readiness of the church body to begin work in the field.
c. The relation of the new field to existing churches.

C. Suggested Procedure for Preventing or Overcoming Duplicated Effort:

1. Under existing circumstances in private residential areas, a mile has proved to be an acceptable measure for the placement of churches. However, we call attention to the following principles which must be taken into consideration in all cases, both rural and urban:

a. Density of population.
b. Number of unchurched Lutherns.

c. Total number of unchurched souls.
d. Natural barriers, such as rivers, railroad yards, highways, valleys, ravines, etc.
e. Natural gravitation of population.
f. Convenience of transportation.
g. Ownership or tenancy of homes in community.

D. Suggested Procedure for All Community Surveys:

Every effort should be made to conduct these detailed surveys along the same lines using the best available methods so that they are unified and dependable.

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin D. Havekost, Chairman of the Committee on Home Missions.

The report of the Luther League was presented and adopted.

Report of the Synodical Luther League, January 1 to December 31, 1943

Eighteen Leagues have a total membership of 394 and seventeen Leagues have contributed $233.00 as separate groups or through Leaguers in the group.

Financial Report

Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1943	$ 57.79
Balance from 1942 Camp Fund	12.93
Leagues Contributing	233.00
Luther League Rally at Atchison	12.50
Total	$316.22

Disbursements

Luther League of America Dues		$103.50
Sustaining Membership Fund—		
Gene Tonsing Memorial	$ 5.00	
Rev. Samuel Hamrick Memorial	50.00	
Two $5.00 Memberships	10.00	
Special	4.50	
		$ 69.50
India Missionary Project		98.75

Bulletin (JACK RABBIT) and Mailing Expense		32.65
Balance, December 31, 1943		11.82
Total		$316.22

1944 Snodical Luther League Budget

Luther League of America Dues, 1943 Balance	$31.25	
1944 Dues	91.25	$122.50
One-Half Missionary Project		100.50
Sustaining Membership Fund		80.00
Synodical Luther League Expense		100.00
Total		$403.00

1943 Membership and Contribution Report By Congregations

Abilene, (6) members, $5.00 contribution; Atchison, (2), $5.00; Beloit, (9), $0.00; Emporia, (12), $10.00; Eureka, (12), $0.00; Hutchinson, (10), $5.00; Kansas City, Kans., (16), $8.00; Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's), (13), $5.00; Lancaster, (50), $26.00; Lawrence, (40), $47.00; Oklahoma City, (12), $0.00; Peabody, (22), $10.00; St. Joseph, (54), $5.00; Salina, (41), $26.75; Topeka, (16), $5.00; Tulsa, (20), $40.00; Wakeeney, (15), $3.00; Waterville (First), (0), $7.00; Wellington, (0), $3.00; Wichita, (26) $22.25.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred J, Beil,

Luther League Sponsor.

On recommendation of the committee on Luther League, it was voted (1) that the Rev. A. J. Beil appoint a co-sponsor of Synodical Luther League to serve until the Luther League convention is held at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga July 23-28 will select a new sponsor. (2) that those in charge be given the privilege of asking auxiliary organizations of the Synod to contribute to the program of the Youth Camp. It was moved and carried that the following recommendation of the Committee on Luther League be referred to the executive committee: "that Synod grant $150.00 for the promotional and convention expenses of the Lutheran Youth Group to be held at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga July 23-28."

The report of the committee on President's Report was presented and adopted.

"Your committee has studied the president's report. It reveals many and varied activities in which the executive of synod has been engaged in the past year. It also shows careful reporting of the business of synod since the previous convention.

"The members of this committee wish to give special commendation to the president in the aggressive manner in which he has dealt with

the problem of vacant parishes and the objective attitude he has assumed in dealing with the Oklahoma City situation. We consider his recommendation regarding lay readers very important.

"The committee recommends that (1) the presidents report be accepted as printed in the pre-convention bulletin, with the corrections and additions which appear in the supplementary report of the president April 15, 1944. (2) that recommendations 1, 2 and 3 be adopted."

It was moved and carried that each pastor of Synod be requested to send to the president of Synod a copy of his annual report to his congregation.

The report of the committee on Lutheran World Action was presented and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Lutheran World Action

The President served as director of the Lutheran World Action program for the Synod in 1943, but the productive efforts were put forth by the Rev. J. E. Messer for the Western Conference; the Rev. E. R. Harrison, for the Southern Conference; the Rev. A. J. Beil for the Eastern Conference; and the pastors of the various congregations. The response was very encouraging, in that the Synod raised approximately 80 per cent of its assigned quota. However, our Synod need not take pride in an 80 per cent accomplishment when the entire U. L. C. A. went far beyond its quota, and the entire Lutheran World Action program was oversubscribed by about $317,000. For 1944 I have appointed the Rev. H. Vance Baird Synodical Director; Mr. Leroy Dammon, Atchison, Assistant Synodical Director, and the conference president directors in their own districts. Details of contributions received in 1943 will be found in the Treasurer's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

George R. Whittecar.

It was moved and carried that Synod permit the camp committee to borrow up to $500.00 to equip and get the camp ready for the summer's season.

Mr. Fred O. Trepp, Oklahoma City, read a letter from one of the members of the Oklahoma City Congregation to Synod, and expressed his own appreciation of Synod's interest and efforts in behalf of the congregation's welfare.

The committee of Claims presented the following report, and it was adopted. "We recommend the following expenses be paid from the treasurer's funds:

To Franklin Shirck (expense of attendance) $13.58

To Rev. W. R. Eller (expense of attendance) 21.60
To William Hunter, Janitor (honorarium) 10.00

The report of the committee on absentees and excuses was presented and adopted.

"The committee on absences and excuses wishes to comment on the fine attendance of both pastors and laymen at all sessions of the synod convention. All pastors within reach have attended at least a part of the sessions.

Rev. Ebright has asked to be excused from all but this morning's session; Rev. Harrison has asked to be excused from sessions 1 and 2; Rev. E. H. Gilmer and Rev. Bergstresser have asked to be excused from session 5. Rev. G. C. Schaub and Rev. A. L. Groseclose have asked to be excused from all sessions; requests have come from Lieut. Col. Ensrude, Capt. Klover, Capt. Gilmer, Capt. Oelke, Lt. Moeller, and Capt. Tonsing for excuses from all sessions: and two laymen, Mr. Swanson (session 5) and Mr. Shaft (all sessions) have requested excuses. One of our chaplains has not asked excuse, but since he is overseas, the presumption is that notice of the meetings has not reached him in time to ask excuse.

We therefore recommend that those who have requested excuse together with Chaplain Zable who is absent shall be excused from attendance.

The secretary called attention to the fact that according to roll there were 16 clergy and 9 laymen who have attended all the sessions of this synod. Also, although he is not a member of the synod, the Rev. Miller, supplying our Cold Camp parish, was present at all sessions of the synod.

It was moved and carried that greetings be acknowledged from chaplains Ensrud, Oelke, Gilmer, Klover, Moeller and Tonsing; each of whom wrote to President or Secretary his regret at not being able to attend this convention.

The committee on tellers reported that Mr. A. L. Swanson had been given a majority of votes cast for lay personell of the Home Missions committee and the president declared him elected for a two-year term. The committee reported that the Rev. Reno Frobenius had received the greatest number of votes for clergy member of the committee on Home Missions and the president declared him elected.

The report of the committee on resolutions was presented and adopted.

"1. Be it resolved that we express to this congregation, choir, various commitees and pastor, our sincer-

est appreciation for the most gracious welcome and entertainment given to our convention.

"2. We express our sincere regrets in the inability of Dr. J. H. L. Trout of Cleveland, Ohio, to be with us because of illness.

"3. We wish to thank the executive committee of the U. L. C. A. for sending Dr. Alvin Bell of Toledo, to our convention to represent the Boards.

"4. We wish to acknowledge with pleasure the presence of Dr. Fred Wiegman president of Midland College; and chaplain (Captain) Lightner A. Swan, of the U. S. Army.

"5. We heartily commend the officers and committees for faithful efficient service rendered to the church during the year.

"6. We extend to Dr. Wiest our best wishes and sincere prayer for the speedy recovery of his wife.

"7. We continue our prayers for our members in the U. S. service as chaplains and for the members of our congregations during their absence.

The committee on tellers reported that the Rev. Rangeler had received the greatest number of votes cast for clerical membership on the committee on Home Missions and that the Rev. Beil had received the next greatest number of votes; each one having received a majority of the total number of votes cast. The president declared Rev. Rangeler a member of the committee for two years and Rev. Beil a member of the committee for the year.

It was moved and carried that the Executive committee be instructed to approve the minutes of session five and to arrange for the printing and distribution of the minutes of this convention.

The president appointed the Rev. Reno Frobenius fraternal delegate to the Nebraska Synod; and the Rev. B. R. Lantz fraternal delegate to the Augustana Synod, Kansas Conference.

There being no further business appearing, the motion was made and carried to adjourn and the president led synod in the formal closing of the seventy-sixth annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

ATTEST:

The foregoing is a true record of the proceedings of the Seventy-sixth annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States to the best of my knowledge and belief.

George L. Search,
Secretary.

Report of the 1944 Annual Convention of the Men's Brotherhood of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

April 19, 1944

S. J. Turille, Emporia, Kansas, Secretary

The 1944 Convention of the Men's Brotherhood of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States opened their meeting on April 19, at the Children's Memorial Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Missouri, The convention was called to order by the President, Evan Tonsing, of Atchison, Kansas. About 60 men were present. Printed programs were distributed.

The meeting opened with singing followed by a brief devotional service conducted by A. E. Smith of Kansas City. A short address of welcome was given by Mr. A. H. Gauet of the Kansas City Children's Memorial Church Brotherhood. Dr. C. J. Turille of Emporia, Kansas, and synodical secretary responded.

Reports were presented by the synodical officers. The secretary's report was read and approved. The treasurer's report was read by Mr. Wayne Easterday of Topeka, Kansas, in the absence of Treasurer Tresner who was unable to be present due to illness. The treasurer's report was accepted. The president's report was read and tabled for later discussion in the meeting.

A forum on 'The Local Brotherhood and Lutheran World Action" was conducted by The Rev. H. Vance Baird of Atchison, Kansas. After presenting some pertinent points on the subject Rev. Baird then presented The Rev. Alvin E. Bell of Toledo, Ohio, and the U. L. C. A. official Representative to Synod who reviewed Lutheran World Action. Rev. Bell pointed out that in 1943 $1,319,000 was raised for Lutheran World Action. In 1944 the goal is $1,315,000. It should be easily reached. Rev. Baird discussed Kansas Synod plans to raise the needed quota. He presented a prepared chart showing that the greatest claim for Lutheran World Action funds is from our servicemen. The fund-raising campaign will be set for between Easter and May 7.

The Secretary read letters from Mr. Speckman and from Earl Bader of National Brotherhood headquarters who sent greetings. These were acknowledged by the delegates present. Rev. A. D. Havekost of the Kansas City, Kansas, Brotherhood conducted a convention 'sing" program.

A discussion on "The Brotherhood's Place in Synod's Functioning" was in charge of Rev. G. R. Whittecar, President of Synod. One of the functions of the Brotherhood in our synodical churches is to make

the church strong for the boys coming back from war. We also must assume leadership in boy scout work and in evangelism in the church.

The convention business session followed. The President's report was approved by recommendations made. The President made seven recommendations. Each was taken up individually, discussed, and voted upon. All seven recommendations were presented by various members present in the form of motions, seconded, and carried. The secretary was instructed to execute recommendation 7, passed unanimously by standing vote, namely, that of writing a letter of thanks, to our host church and Brotherhood.

The seven recommendations adopted are as follows.

1. That every pastor and church council in Synod be importuned to give whole-hearted support to the Brotherhood program, and in those congregations where no Brotherhood is now in existence, an earnest effort be made to form Brotherhoods at the earliest possible time.

2. That the officers of the Synodical Brotherhood be instructed to continue the publication of the Synodical Brotherhood Bulletin at regular intervals of not to exceed two months, during the coming year.

3. That the joint dues plan be continued, wherein the Synodical Brotherhood treasurer collects dues for both the synodical and national Brotherhoods, forwarding national dues collected to the national office and retaining synodical dues for the operation of the synodical Brotherhood.

4. That the synodical Brotherhood dues be continued at ten cents per active member for the calendar year 1944.

5. That the secretary be instructed to prepare copies of the Synodical Brotherhood Constitution for distribution to all pastors and presidents or secretaries of local Brotherhoods, retaining sufficient copies for future needs.

6. That this convention elect a delegate to the National convention, with power to appoint his own alternate if necessary, and that means be provided for paying at least a share of his expenses. By way of explanation, the synodical Brotherhood committee has recommended to Synod that one of the Synodical delegates to the ULCA convention be designated as a delegate to the Brotherhood convention, the Synod and Brotherhood sharing the extra expense.

7. That the secretary be instructed to transmit to the Brotherhood of Children's Memorial Lutheran Church our sincere appreciation for the most courteous and helpful hospitality granted this convention.

A motion was made to accept the President's report. Seconded. Carried.

The nominating committee made its report. Chairman Easterday recommended the following as Brotherhood Officers for 1944-45.

President.....Evan Tonsing, Atchison, Kansas
Vice-President.....John Heinrick, Kansas City, Missouri
Secretary.....Dr. J. T. Catlin, Eureka, Kansas
Treasurer.....Elmer Nowland, Topeka, Kansas
Delegate.....A. A. Gault, Kansas City, Missouri

It was moved and seconded from the floor that the report of the nominating committee be accepted and that the secretary be instructed to cast an unanimous ballot for the above slate-motion coined.

The meeting adjourned to reconvene at 7:00 p.m. the same evening for the annual banquet and installation of officers.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. Turille, Secretary,

Men's Brotherhood, Kansas

Synod and Adjacent States.

Directory

Women's Missionary Society

For 1944-1945

OFFICERS

President—Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, 1114 Amidon Ave., Wichita, Kansas
First Vice President—Miss Helen Fink, 433 S. 6th, Atchison, Kansas
Second Vice President—Mrs. B. P. Sibole, 214 E. 24 Pl., Tulsa, Okla.
Third Vice President—Mrs. J. Albert Schultz, 607 West Walnut, Salina, Kansas
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, Washington, Kansas
Statistical Secretary—Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Jr., Lancaster, Kansas
Treasurer—Miss Harriet Kjerulff, 814 E. 33rd., Kansas City, 3, Mo.
Member of General Board—Mrs. J. P. Jensen, 600 Louisiana Street, Lawrence, Kansas

ELECTED DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES

Industrial—Mrs. R. E. Gaston, 313 N. Elm, Eureka, Kansas
Historian & Education—Mrs. E. P. Boersch, 132 S. Chelsea, Kansas City, 1, Mo.
Promotional—Mrs. H. R. Christiansen, 2008 N. 31st., Kansas City, 2, Kansas

APPOINTED SECRETARIES

Box Work—Mrs. George R. Whittecar, 324 West Fifth, Tulsa, Okla.
Deaconess—Mrs. John Zimmerman, Valley Falls, Kansas
Life Membership & In Memoriam—Mrs. E. R. Harrison, 1015 North Washington, Hutchinson, Kansas
Magazine—Mrs. Emma Wolf, 110 Northeast Seventh, Abilene, Kansas
Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer—Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, 7331 Park Ave., Kansas City, 5, Mo.
Patronage & Protege—Mrs. C. L. Talbot, 4111 King Hill, St. Joseph, Mo.
Student—Mrs. Alvin Havekost, 801 North Seventeenth St., Kansas City, 2, Kansas
Thank Offering—Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, 129 Northwest Thirtieth, Oklahoma City, 2, Oklahoma
Courtesy Chairman—Mrs. Walter Selle, 3935 Chestnut, Kansas City, Mo.
Editor of K. S. L.—Mrs. Paul Tonsing, 315 North Terrace, Atchison, Kansas
Program Committee—Mrs. W. W. Wesson, 1210 Garfield, Topeka, Kans. Mrs. Ralph Vague, Wilson, Kansas; Mrs. W. T. Darling, 608 N. Myrtle, Eureka, Kansas.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

Women's Missionary Society

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
The Rev. J. A. McCulloch, D. D., Pastor
Kansas City, Mo.

April 17-20, 1944

Monday, April 17, 5:45 P.M.

The Executive Board held a brief business meeting before the service of the Holy Communion, with sermon by Rev. George R. Whittecar, President of Synod; the Rev. George L. Search, Secretary of Synod, Liturgist.

Tuesday, April 18, 9:00 A.M.

The formal opening of the Convention by the President, Mrs. R. E. Gaston, was declared. The Theme "I must be about my Father's Business—In Spiritual Preparedness" was the devotional topic brought to us by by Miss Lillian Dentinger, Parish Worker, Kansas City, Mo.

The following officers and delegates were enrolled:

President: Mrs. R. E. Gaston.
First Vice President: Miss Helen Fink.
Second Vice President: Mrs. J. Albert Schultz.
Recording Secretary: Mrs. Kenneth Jackson.
Statistical Secretary: Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Jr .
Treasurer: Miss Harriet Kjerulff.
Member of General Board: Mrs. J. P. Jensen.
Historian and Educational Secretary: Mrs. E. P. Boersch.
Promotional Secretary: Mrs. J. P. Jensen.
Box Work Secretary: Mrs. George R. Whittecar.
Deaconess Secretary: Mrs. John Zimmerman.
Extension Secretary: Mrs. H. Christiansen.

Magazine Secretary: Mrs. Emma Wolf.

Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer Secretary: Mrs. J. O. Heiffner.

Student Secretary: Mrs. Alvin Havekost.

Patron and Protege Secretary: Mrs. C. L. Talbot.

Parliamentarian: Mrs. George E. Walker.

Courtesy Chairman: Mrs. Walter Selle.

Eastern Conference

Atchison: Mrs. E. F. Fink, Mrs. Leslie Long.

Bendena: Miss Alice Albers.

Cole Camp, Mo.: Mrs. Dora Owens.

Kansas City, Kansas: Mrs. Henry Christianson, Mrs. P. C. Peterson, Mrs. Harold Peterson, Mrs. Julius Comby.

Kansas City, Mo.: Children's Memorial, Mrs. C. B. Rhoades, Mrs. A. H. Goult.

Kansas City, Mo.: St. Marks, Mrs. Henry Bethmanon, Mrs. David Vetter, Mrs. J. K. Gibson, Mrs. David Richmond.

Lancaster: Mrs. Edward Stutz.

Lawrence: Mrs. Henry Jost, Mrs. Ollie Kerr.

St. Joseph, Mo.: Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, Mrs. F. Hanna, Mrs. R. J. Tietz, Mrs. Reno Frobenius, Mrs. R. O. Shriver.

Topeka: Mrs. R. E. Rangler.

Valley Falls: Mrs. Alva Knouse.

Western Conference

Abilene: Mrs. M. C. Gellart.

Beloit: Mrs. Wm. Deschner.

Chapman: Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall, Mrs. M. Louden.

Glasco: Mrs. George Eller.

Greenleaf: Mrs. L. D. Diedrichs.

Hays: Mrs. A. F. Swanson.

Salina: Mrs. W. R. Hemphill.

Wakeeney: Mrs. G. C. Schwab.

Waterville: Mrs. Emma Runkle.

Southern Conference

Emporia: Mrs. E. T. Anderson.

Eureka: Mrs. H. H. Bush, Mrs. W. S. Barackman.

Fort Smith, Ark.: Mrs. Paul Close.

Hutchinson: Mrs. E. J. Alstatt, Mrs. Vearl Schultz, Mrs. E. R. Harrison, Miss Marie Alstatt.

Oklahoma City, Okla.: Mrs. W. C. Jacobson.

Peabody: Mrs. Elizabeth Frobenius.

Tulsa, Okla.: Mrs. B. P. Sibole, Mrs. P. B. Rogers.

Wichita: Mrs. Stanley Shaft, Mrs. C. C. Emmerick, Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.

An announcement was made stating that a new Young Women's Missionary Society at St. Joseph, Mo., named The Lilith Schwab Society had been organized.

The Presentation of the Program was made by Mrs. C. C. Emmerick.

A motion to accept the program as printed with necessary changes was carried.

Greetings were extended the Convention by Mrs. Harold E. Johnson and the response was made by Mrs. J. Albert Schultz.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting were read as follows:

The Executive Board met at Children's Memorial Church, Kansas City, Mo., April 17, 1944 at 6:45 P.M.

Recommendation was made to close doors during devotional services.

Recommendation was made to place offerings in Synodical Treasury.

Recommendation was made to have offering at the close of devotional.

Recommendation was made to dispense with reading of the minutes after Tuesday afternoon session.

Recommendation was made to continue Miss Lilith Schwab as our Missionary.

Recommendation was made that the Synodical Women's Missionary Society offer a year's tuition for a girl student at Midland College from Kansas Synod and Adjacent States whose purpose is full time Christian Service. The fund for the Scholarship shall be collected by free will offerings in the local society during the month of June and shall be administered by a committee to be appointed by the Executive Board.

A motion that we adjourn until after the Communion Service carried.

Recommendation was made that we change the Constitution, Article 2, Section 1 to read: Traveling expenses of the Executive Board to each Convention be paid out of the Synodical Treasury.

A motion that the President appoint a representative to bring Greetings and a Report to Synod carried. Mrs. Walter Selle was appointed.

Mrs. Walter Selle was appointed to report the number of visitors and delegates attending each session.

A motion to adjourn carried.

The Lord's Prayer closed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Jackson, Secretary.

A motion to accept recommendations seriatum carried.

All recommendations were accepted but one. A motion that the recommendation to amend the Constitution be read at another session and voted on carried.

A motion that Life Members present be given voting privilege carried.

Announcement was made of the following convention committees:

Reporter for the Kansas Synod Lutheran—Mrs. R. E. Rangeler.
Reporter for Lutheran Woman's Work—Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.
Reporter to the Lutheran—Mrs. Paul Close.
Reporter to the Local Papers—Mrs. A. H. Goult.
Report and Greetings to Synod—Mrs. Walter Selle.
Officers' Reports—Mrs. B. P. Sibole, Mrs. George Eller, Mrs. E. T. Anderson, Mrs. Edward Stutz.
Educational and Departmental Secretaries' Reports—Mrs. Leslie Long, Mrs. David Vetter, Mrs. Henry Jost, Mrs. W. R. Hemphill.
Resolutions—Mrs. W. C. Jacobson, Mrs. Dora Owens, Mrs. Harold Peterson.
Committee on Secretary's Minutes—Mrs. H. H. Christiansen, Mrs. L. D. Diedrichs.
Committee on Claims—Miss Harriet Kjerulff, Mrs. P. B. Rogers, Mrs. Alva Knouse.
Letters and Communications—Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, Mrs. Emma Runkle, Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall.
Auditing—Mrs. Julius Comby, Mrs. A. D. Fennell.
Tellers—Mrs. Wm. Barackman, Miss Marie Alstatt, Miss Alice Albers, Mrs. David Richmond.

The Courtesy Chairman presented Miss Lillian Dentinger, Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall, Mrs. Reno Forbenous, and Mrs. William Eller to the convention.

Communications from Miss Lilith Schwab and Mrs. O. A. Sarderson were read.

Report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.

A report of the Deputation School was given by Mrs. J .P. Jensen.

Miss Helen Fink, First Vice President, presided as Mrs. R. E. Gaston gave the report of the President.

Report of the President

Through the grace and mercy of our Heavenly Father we assemble in the Sixty-fourth Annual Convention of our Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. To our Lord and Saviour be praise and thanksgiving for all the blessings of the past year as another year's work is recorded.

We are happy that our membership has increased by 41 active and 27 associate members. The gain is not large but it is a definite turn from the continued loss of the last four years. May we continue to work for the extension of His Kingdom by our missionary efforts. With His help we can accomplish great things.

Our treasurer's report shows a substantial increase. Also the Scholarship fund. We hope we can soon find the girl who will take advantage of this Scholarship and begin her studies at Midland College. Our only decrease was in the Synodical fund. Let us remember that to defray Synodical and Triennial expenses each member of each congregational Society shall pay quarterly ten cents.

Our organization has lost two faithful consecrated workers in Mrs. W. B. Winzenreid of Atchison and Mrs. Hester W. Humphrey, Abilene, both past presidents of our Synodical Society. We wish to extend sympathy to Miss Stella Ehret and Miss Margaret Olson who lost their beloved mothers this past year and to Mrs. Geo. C. Smith and Mrs. W. W. Wesson in the death of their husbands. Many other homes have been saddened this past year by the distressing times thru which we are living. The war weighs heavily upon our hearts, but let us remember that the Saviour is with all who love Him and keep His commandments. He will not fail us if we do not fail Him. May we make every effort to be workers in His vineyard.

May I express my thanks to the members of the Executive Board and other members of the Synodical who have co-operated so beautifully and faithfully.

It was my privilege to attend the National Convention of our organization at Roanoke, Virginia in October as your representative, attended and brought greetings to the Nebraska Missionary Society, and I attended and spoke at the Western Conference, the only conference to meet this year. Letters and cards written 251. Articles written 6. Meetings attended 5.

I submit for your consideration the following recommendations:

1. That we determine to be about "Our Father's Business" by striving towards the advancement of His Kingdom.

2. That we pray and work for a Christian peace.

3. That we continue to work for an increase in our membership.

4. That we continue our publicity in the Kansas Synod Lutheran in the following manner:

January—Mission Study-Promotional Secretary.
February—Deaconess-Executive Board Member.
March—Industrial-Treasurer.
April—Convention Program.
May—Life Membership and In Memoriam-Box Work.
June—Promotional Secretary.
July—Patronage and Protege.
September—Vice-Presidents.
October—Thank Offering-Student.
November—Magazine-Educational Secretary.
December—Statistician.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Robert E. Gaston.

A motion that the report of President be referred to the proper committee carried.

The report of the Treasurer; Miss Harriet Kjerulff, was an encouraging one. This report was referred to the proper committee.

A motion to accept the report of the Auditing Committee carried.

A panel Discussion "Information Please" was presented by the Promotional Division in charge of Mrs. H. H. Christiansen, the Extension Secretary.

"Authority Of Missions" was an inspirational address given by Dr. Fred C. Wiegman.

Dr. Wiegman gave the closing prayer.

Tuesday, 1:30 P.M.

The Convention met with Synod for a joint Devotional by Miss Mae Rohlfs, R. N., "Warring Days in China" was her subject.

Worship by Offering was taken.

After Roll Call the minutes of the morning session were read and accepted.

Report of the Statistical Secretary, given by Mrs. Fred Kloepper, pictured our growth splendidly.

A motion that this report be adopted with corrections and referred to the proper committee was carried.

Mrs. Walter Selle presented Rev. R. E. Rangeler with greetings from Synod.

The Election Ballot was read and a motion that report of the Nomination Committee be accepted was carried.

The election of officers was the next item of business. Nominations were made from the floor.

A motion that this Ballot with additions be used to cast votes was carried.

The results of the election:

President: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich.

First Vice President: Miss Helen Fink.

Second Vice President: Mrs. B. P. Sibole.

Third Vice President: Mrs. J. Albert Schultz.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Kenneth Jackson.

Statistical Secretary: Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Jr.

Treasurer: Miss Harriet Kjerulff.

Industrial Secretary: Mrs. Robert E. Gaston.

Historian & Education: Mrs. E. P. Boersch.

Promotional Secretary: Mrs. H. H. Christiansen.

The Courtesy Chairman presented Miss Ruth Juram, Promotional Secretary from National Headquarters, who spoke briefly on the Triennium Objective.

"I Must—Be About—My Father's Business" was the idea of the Presentation of the Educational Department of the Secretaries led by Miss Lillian Dentinger.

The workings and suggestions for a better Children of the Church Meetings was stressed by the Children of the Church Secretary, Mrs. Walter Selle. Rev. A. J. Beil gave a report of Camp Plans for the Children of the Church.

The session was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Tuesday, 7:30 P.M.

The Evening Worship was in charge of Synod and included the sermon "Doing Always the Things That Please Him" by Rev. A. J. Beil, D.D. and Ordination service. Splendid music was given by the choir of Children's Memorial Church, Kansas City, Mo. Reception for delegates and visitors followed the Worship Hour.

Wednesday, 9:00 A.M.

"I must be about my Father's Business—In Unlimited Service" was the devotion given by Miss Mae Rohlfs.

Worship by our offerings was followed by the Roll Call.

"Burma Surgeon" by Seagraves was the book reviewed for us by Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Kansas City, Mo. This review was made very vivid for us by colored illustrations which Mrs. Boersch had painted.

Rev. R. E. Gaston extended an invitation for the 1945 Convention of Synod and Women's Missionary Society to meet at Eureka, Kansas.

A motion to accept the invitation to Eureka was carried.

Mrs. J. P. Jensen and Miss Ruth Juram had an informal discussion on Promotional work of the Church and gave us a picture of the next year's lessons topics.

A Panel Discussion of Post-War Planning entitled "Pillars of Peace" was led by Mrs. A. D. Havekost.

Mrs. George Whittecar gave us recent information in regard to present Box Work.

The session was adjourned by Prayer.

Wednesday, 1:30 P.M.

Devotions were a joint meeting with Synod for a question and answer discussion of problems concerning the U.L.C.A. led by Dr. Bell, of Ohio, official U.L.C.A. representative.

An act of Worship by offerings was taken.

The Life Membership and In Memoriam Shower was in charge of Miss Helen Fink. Forty Life and Seven In Memoriam and Transferrals were given. Mrs. John Holmes sang "My Task" as a fitting end to such a bountiful shower.

In the absence of Mrs. A. J. Beil, Industrial Secretary, Mrs. Walter Selle presented the play "India Lace" given by Ladies of St. Mark's Church, Kansas City, Mo.

"Roanoke Chatter" by the four attendants, Miss Harriet Kjerulff, Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Mrs. C. C. Emmerick and Mrs. Geo. Walker gave us the impression that the Lutheran Organization is a living one.

Miss Mae Rohlfs brought us a picture of the Medical Progress in China and the Current News.

The Whole Work of the Whole Church was a discussion group led by Mrs. C. C. Emmerick, Wichita.

The Convention divided into small groups to discuss local problems and for conferences.

Wednesday, 7:00 P.M.

The Convention Dinner was held at the Budd Christian Church. It was a delicious dinner, followed by a program which included Miss Mae Rohlfs and Dr. Wiegman as speakers. A Reading Pageant—Arsenic and Old Lace—by three young people of The Kansas City, Church. Mrs. Dorothy Fulton was the soloist for the evening. Mrs. E. P. Boersch was Toastmistress.

Thursday, 9:00 A.M.

Mrs. George Walker led the Devotional on "I must be about my Father's Business—In Unfailing Loyalty". An Offering was taken.

Miss Mae Rohlfs gave us information concerning our Lutheran work in China.

Miss Ruth Juram brought us Current News from Headquarters.

The Courtesy Chairman presented Dr. Ebright, Superintendent of Tabitha Home. Captain L. C. Swan, Chaplain, was presented to the Convention. His address was both informative and challenging for the Missionary Work to go on.

'I must be about my Father's Business" was a summarizing topic and the personalizing of the Business for each of us as we return to our local Society with inspiration and zeal to carry on another year's work. Mrs. J. P. Jensen conveyed this personalized feeling and obligation to the Convention.

Reports of the Convention Committees followed.

Committee on Officers Reports

After due consideration, the Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations included in the President's Report.

We appreciate the very effective and faithful work done by Mrs. Gaston. We commend all other officers and their fine reports. We recommend that the reports of the officers be accepted as read.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. B. P. Sibole.
Mrs. George Eller.
Mrs. E. T. Anderson,
Mrs. Edward Stutz.

Motion to accept this report was carried.

Report of Committee on Education and Departmental Secretaries

Your Committee wishes to call attention to the fine reports of the Educational and Departmental Secretaries, as shown in the pages of your programs and to the evidences therein of much faithful service on the part of the secretaries, and the signs of growth and advancement in these different fields of endeavor.

May we urge all members to carefully study these reports and use them from time to time in connection with local work for instruction and inspiration and especially to give heed to the recommendations therein made.

We extend to those secretaries our thanks for their service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Leslie Long,
Mrs. David Vetter,
Mrs. Henry Jost,
Mrs. W. R. Hemphill.

Motion to accept this report was carried.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

At the conclusion of this the Sixty-fourth Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, we thank God for His blessings upon us. In the recognition for His goodness we, the committee on resolutions, present the following:

1. That we express our sincere gratitude to Rev. McCulloch, Mrs. McCulloch, and all members and friends of Children's Memorial Lutheran Church for their gracious hospitality and consideration for our comfort during these convention days.

2. That we express appreciation to Mrs. Robert Gaston for the inspirational and helpful program. We also express to the other officers and department secretaries, our gratitude for their faithfulness.

3. That we express to the women of Children's Memorial Lutheran Church our deepest appreciation and gratitude for the appetizing meals, and lovely reception and the beautiful banquet with its inspiring program.

4. That to Miss Mae Rohlfs we express our sincere appreciation of the enlightening messages which she brought to us, and that we wish her God's blessing in her missionary work.

5. We express our appreciation to Miss Ruth Juram for the inspiration and information she brought us from National headquarters.

6. That we thank our member of General Board, Mrs. Jensen, and the delegates and visitors to the Roanoke Convention for their enthusiastic messages.

7. That we express our sincere appreciation to Dr. Fred Wiegman for his illumination messages concerning the work of our church.

8. That to Rev. R. E. Rangeler we express our appreciation for the cordial greetings he extended us from the Synod.

9. That we owe a debt of gratitude to the organist and the choir of Children's Memorial Lutheran Church and all others who took part, for their help in making this convention a true inspiration to all.

10. And finally, that we resolve to make a part of our daily living our convention theme, "I must be about my Father's business," that we may be busy about His business bringing enlightenment and help to many.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. C. Jacobson,
Mrs. Harold A. Peterson,
Mrs. Dora Owens.

Motion to accept this report carried.

Report of Committee on Secretary's Minutes

We, the committee on Secretary's Minutes, have read them and find them correct. Therefore, they stand approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. H. Christiansen,
Mrs. L. D. Diedrichs.

Motion to accept this report carried.

Report on Letters and Communications

The following letters have been sent:

Miss Lilith Schwab.
Mrs. George Smith.
Mrs. W. W. Wessen.
Mrs. Alfred Beil.
Mrs. George Search.

Submitted by,
Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary,
Mrs. Emma S. Runkle,
Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall.

Motion to accept this report was carried.

Report of Committe on Claims

Mrs. R. E. Gaston, President	$ 17.65
Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, Recording Secretary	4.10
Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Jr.; Statistical Secretary	4.25
Miss Harriet Kjerulff, Treasurer	4.94
Mrs. A. J. Beil, Industrial Secretary	1.64
Mrs. George R. Whittecar, Box Work Secretary	1.50
Mrs. John Zimmerman, Deaconess Secretary	1.71
Mrs. Henry Christiansen, Extension Secretary	1.50
Miss Stella Ehret, Life Membership and In Memoriam Sec'y	2.00
Mrs. Emma Wolf, Magazine Secretary	1.18
Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, Mission Study Secretary	2.52
Mrs. Alvin Havekost, Student Secretary	1.50
Convention Program Expense	2.00
Miss Mae Rohlfs, Guest Speaker	16.40
Mr. L. T. Bangs, to Synod towards printing of Minutes	50.00
	$112.89

Respectfully submitted,

Miss Harriet Kjerulff,
Mrs. A. J. Knouse,
Mrs. P. B. Rodgers.

Motion to accept this report was carried.

Report of the Auditing Committee

"We have this date March 5, 1944 audited the yearly treasurer's report and find same to be correct in every detail and have proved tne balance in the bank to be $1,098.96."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. Comby,
Mrs. A. D. Fennell.

The item of the recommended change in the reading of Article 2, Section 1 of the Constitution to read: Traveling expenses of the Executive Board to each Convention be paid out of the Synodical Treasury was discussed.

Motion made to vote on the proposed change was carried.

A motion to give $50.00 to Synod toward the printing of the minutes, carried.

A vote of Appreciation to the lady of the Cooking Department, Mrs. Carl Lindberg, was made.

The installation of newly elected officers was conducted by Miss Ruth Juram, after which Mrs. C. C. Emmerick, newly elected President, declared the Sixty-fourth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of Kansas and Adjacent States closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kenneth Jackson,,
Recording Cecretary.

Thursday, 11:30 A.M.

A short meeting of the Executive Committee was called to appoint a Scholarship Committee. The following were appointed: Mrs. H. H. Christiansen, Chairman; Mrs. Alvin Havekost, Mrs. John Zimmerman.

A motion that Mrs. J. P. Jensen be the one advisory member of this Committe was carried.

A motion to leave the disposition of Box Work Shower to Secretary, Mrs. George Whittecar, as she sees fit was carried.

Mrs. B. P. Sibole closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kenneth Jackson,
Recording Secretary.

Report of the First Vice-President

The Eastern Conference did not hold a meeting this year. Plans were started to combine with the laymen's meeting held at Lawrence, Kansas, the latter part of October. This did not prove advisable. May we pray and work that this vital contact of our societies may be resumed this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Miss Helen Fink.

Report of the Second Vice President

Western Conference met at Chapman, September 28, 1943, with a good attendance. The timely theme, "Forward Together In Faith—In Hope—In Light," was well presented.

Mrs. Emma Wolf, Magazine Secretary; Mrs. S. D. Havekost, Student Secretary; and Mrs. G. K. Mykland, Promotional Secretary, gave reports. Rev. George L. Search gave a report of the Fellowship School of Missions held at Gettsysburg. Mrs. Glenn Miller was elected vice-president.

Mrs. Gaston, Mrs. Loy, Mrs. Mykland and Mrs. Schultz were presented lovely corsages by the Chapman Society.

A lovely covered dish luncheon was enjoyed at noon.

The invitation from the Salina Society was accepted for our 1944 meeting.

I'm sure everyone left with the feeling that the Chapman Society was a charming hostess, and that the day was well spent in the information and fellowship gained.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. Albert Schultz

Report of the Third Vice-President

Southern Conference held no meeting this year, but again we have hopes for next year. Let us not forget "To Be About Our Father's Business," and try to contact new members for our societies. In this lies the future of our Church. Let us increase Missionary Rolls and Missionary Zeal—this is our earnest hope and prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ernest Tonsing.

Report of the Box Work Secretary

Because of wartime restrictions on the transportation of packages overseas, this department has continued to emphasize the giving of cash to be sent to the various mission fields for purchase of needed materials. The secretary has maintained contacts with Mrs. Raymond B. Fenner, general box work secretary, and with the local societies relative to needs that could be supplied through this department. An article was prepared for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. George R. Whittecar.

Report of the Deaconess Secretary

During the past year a circular letter was sent to each society telling of the Deaconess work. An article in the Kansas Synod Lutheran for February was written in the interest of this department.

Quarterly Bulletins, "Motherhouse Tidings," from the Philadelphia Motherhouse, were received by me and read with much pleasure. I will distribute some of these and other litrature at the convention.

Girls from the Intermediate Department of our Church presented Deaconess facts during the Sunday School session and I urge all societies to do this at least once a year.

The most striking thing about the report from this department is the simple fact of 56 calls for Deaconesses and only six candidates in training in the two Motherhouses.

Try to interest some young woman to take advantage of our Midland Scholarship. During the Triennium, 1943-46 we are urged to train no fewer than twelve young women qualified to be called and commissioned to serve the Church at home and overseas.

During the last year I inaugurated a new policy of keeping a Deaconess notebook of all articles, papers and clippings pertaining to this vital work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. John Zimmerman.

Report of the Historian and Educational Secretary

A copy of the 1943 Synodical Minutes and each issue of the Kansas Synod Lutheran has been added to the files.

The papers are being preserved in loose leaf binders, and other matters of Historical Interest are filed, so that they may be easier of access.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. P. Boersch.

Report of the Magazine Secretary

A circular letter was sent to the President of each society in which I called their attention to many interesting articles in the "Lutheran Woman's Work." I also encouraged them to study the new program as outlined at the Triennial Convention. A card was sent to all Statistical Secretaries asking for a report on Magazine Subscriptions and members in their society. I had a very good response, although I did not hear from all.

The following Societies are on the Honor Roll:

St. Paul's, W. M. S., Wellington.
St. Mark's W. M. S., Kansas City, Missouri.
Trinity W. M. S., Kansas City, Kansas.
Trinity W. M. S., Lawrence.
W. M. S., St. Joseph.

W. M. S., Cole Camp, Mo.
Mission Guild, Valley Falls.
W. M. S., Emporia.
W. M. S., Glasco.
St. Mark's W. M. S., Waterville.
W. M. S., Beloit.
W. M. S., Abilene.

Five societies missed the Honor Roll by only one subscription.

I hope, in another year, more will subscribe to the Magazine of our Lutheran Woman's Work. It becomes more necessary that we acquaint ourselves with the work of our Missionary Program which is of vital importance in the establishment of "Universal Peace" in this world.

Do not forget that we must be about "Our Father's Business."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Emma Wolf.

Report of Life Membership and In Memorium

Dear Friends,

Notwithstanding the trials and turmoil we have gone through this past year, we have much, very, very, much to be thankful for. We take heart and are ever ready to take one more forward step when we are able to make a report such as follows:

36 Life Memberships	$360.00
4 In Memoriams	100.00
7 Transfers to In Memoriam	105.00
TOTAL	$565.00

This is one of the finest reports this Department has ever been able to make and we do not say this in vain glory, but in submission to the will of God, in humble reverence, giving praise and adoration to God, Whom we hope will lead you to do as well or better this year.

There is no place in the Missionary Budget where your money can or will do more toward the advancement of the Kingdom of God here on earth, and there is no time when it has been needed nor, perhaps ever will be needed, more than right now. So, let us ever keep our "Life Memberships" and "In Memoriams" before us.

As your Secretary for the past year I wish to thank you for this support.

Respectfully submitted,

(Miss) Stella E. Ehret

Report of the Industrial Secretary

The Industrial Department is pleased to report a substantial increase in India Lace Day Offerings in 1943. Not only is this true of our Synodical Society but the report comes from Headquarters showing an increase of more than $2,000.00 in the 1943 India Lace Offerings received from all Synodical Societies.

	ULCA Missionary Society.	Kansas Synodical Society.
1941	$11,443.71	$113.76
1942	11,595.97	82.88
1943	13,763.17	135.57

Our National Lace Secretary writes, "This proves to us conclusively that we have not rationed our LOVE for the people in India."

May we endeavor to make the next India Lace Day another day of generous and loving giving.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Alfred J. Beil.

Report of Thank Offering Secretary

We are indeed grateful to report $1,804.68 for our Thank Offering this year. This is $377.78 more than last year, and best of all only six societies neglected to send in a Thank Offering. Let us strive for 100% next year. There was also a nice increase in our Christmas offering.

Arline Beal says "Missionary munitions are the gifts and prayers of the Christians in the home churches."

Let us continue to keep production high in 1944 and thus strengthen the field armies of the King of Kings.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Wayne Easterday.

Report of the Patron and Protege Secretary

Wichita, W. M. S., Native Bible Woman in India	$ 50.00
Wichita, W. M. S., No. 64 E. V., Day School, Africa	40.00
Wichita, a Friend, Native Bible Woman in India	50.00
Wichita, Mission Daughters, Native Bible Woman in India	50.00
Wichita, Y. W. B. Class, Native Bible Woman in India	50.00
St. Joseph, Matron's Class, Native Bible Woman in India	50.00
St. Joseph, Dramatic Club, Native Bible Woman in India	50.00

St. Joseph Dramatic School Club, School Girl, Konnarock, Va.	50.00
Rock Port, a Friend, Native Bible Woman in India	50.00
Total	480.00

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. Talbot.

Report of the Missionary Editor of The Kansas Synod Lutheran

We appreciate the loyal co-operation of secretaries in so promptly sending in their reports each month. We are looking forward to more and greater opportunities for thus witnessing for our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Paul Tonsing.

Report of the Secretary on Promotion and Student Scholarship Fund

There has been a very substantial increase in the Scholarship Fund during the past year:

Receipts for 1942	$ 82.56
Receipts for 1943	110.00
Total	$192.56

There were no applicants for this aid in 1943—but we must bear in mind that this is a new idea in the Synod, and with the chaotic state due to the world conflict, young people, as well as adults, are very unsettled as to future plans. This I feel is the opportunity of our W. M. S. for we, with this Fund, may make it possible not only for one, but several young women to dedicate their lives to full-time Christian Service.

The committee sent letters to every society.

Two articles were written for Kansas Synod Lutheran and a number of letters to individuals in Promotional Interest. One address was given for the Western Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. G. K. Mykland.

Report of the Extension Secretary

Now, more than ever, our Missionary organization needs to come to the front to extend the Kingdom of God to those who are unchurched, to those who are not missionary-minded, to those new in our cities who have not affiliated with a local Church.

There are 31,000,000 children in the country today without religious instruction; 69 out of every 100 adults without religious affiliation. Here is a challenge for us.

An article for the Kansas Synod Lutheran in June, and a letter to each local society, enclosing pertinent literature were written by the Secretary in the interest of the Extension Department.

Let us do our part in extending the Kingdom of God so that the blessing, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," may be in store for us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Henry H. Christiansen.

Report of Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer

In January an article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran and two letters, including Week of Prayer literature, were written to each society. Only one society replied to my letters. Since the Statistician's report on Mission Study work has not been received, no comparison can be made with the previous year's work. But surely with such fine literature available, each society has made an effort to review at least two books in the past year.

Though there be wars and rumors of wars, let us continue about our "Father's Business." Our lives will be greatly enriched with the blessings He bestows upon us if we but follow in His path.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. James O. Heiffer.

Report of Student Secretary

The annual Student Census, sponsored by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church and carried out by the Synodical Committee on Work with Students in cooperation with the Women's Missionary Society, was conducted during the month of October. Eighteen of the forty-one parishes responded to the census, reporting a total of 61 students as compared with 133 students the previous year. These 61 students were attending 28 different institutions. Seven students were

attending Midland College. Three young men were reported to be preparing for the Christian Ministry.

The names of Lutheran students of our synod, attending schools in communities other than their own, were placed on the mailing list of the Kansas Synod Lutheran. An article for the Kansas Synod Lutheran was prepared in the interest of this department.

We wish to remind you of our Scholarship Fund. Please remember to make contributions to this fund, and be ready to recommend girls who are interested in Christian Life Work for the scholarship.

Respectfully submitted,

Magdalen O. Havekost.
(Mrs. Alvin D. Havekost.)

SOCIETY	PRESIDENT	ADDRESS	STATISTICAL SEC'Y	ADDRESS
Eastern Conference				
Atchison, Kan W.M.S.	Mrs. Walter Tschorn	1358 Commercial	Mrs. Paul Tonsing	315 N. Terrace
Atchison, Kan. Missionites	Mrs. Delbert Timby	604 S Strreet	Miss Buela Blohm	441 S. 7th
Bendena, Ks. Circle 1	Mrs. Ernest Albers	Bendena, Kansas	Mrs. Martin Holzhey	Bendena, Kansas
Bendena, Ks. Circle 2	Mrs. Leonard Foster	Bendena, Kans.	Miss Carrie Schwab	Bendena, Kansas
Cole Camp, Mo. W.M.S.	Mrs. Pete Otten	Cole Camp, Missouri	Mrs. J. T. Ahrens	Cole Camp, Mo.
K. C., K., Trin. W.M.S.	Mrs. H. A. Hansen	1818 Oakland	Mrs. George Ray	160 North Valley
K. C., K., Philadora	Miss Lillie Studt	1100 State Ave.	Mrs. Harold Petersen	2153 N. 33rd
K. C., Mo. C. Mem. W.M.S.	Mrs. H. E. Johnson	143 So. Drury	Mrs. J. A. McCulloch	2710 Blue Ridge
K. C. Mo. Ch. Mem. Luminaire	Miss Roma Wells	415 So. Drury	Mrs. Fran. Brenthlinger	400 S. Topping
K. C. Mo. St. Mark's WMS	Mrs. C. M. Zimmerman	3538 Agnes	Mrs. N. O. Lindey	814 E. 33rd
K. C. Mo. St. Mk's K. Daugh.	Miss Elsie Shaffer	Shawnee, Kansas	Mrs. Walter Selle	3935 Chestnut
Lancaster, Kan. WMS	Mrs. Martin Kloepper	Lancaster, Kansas	Mrs. Gustav Hinz	Lancaster, Kansas
Lawrence, Kans. WMS	Mrs. Alfred J. Beil	115 E. South Park	Mrs. Rae A. Riggs	607 Louisiana Street
Lawrence, Ks. Naomi	Miss Genevive Carlberg	941 R. I. Street	Miss Jessie Marley	722 Mass. St. c/o J'r'l-W.
Moray, Ks. WMS	Mrs. Jacob Olson	Troy, Kansas	Mrs. Philip Johnson	Troy, Kansas
St. Joseph, Mo. WMS	Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary	2328 Circle Drive	Mrs. M. A. Schwalm	2714 Mulberry
St. Joseph, Mo., Lillith Circle	Miss Mary Guntlesberger	1002 Prospect	Miss Betty Lou Gardner	2415 Seneca
Topeka, Ks. WMS	Mrs. W. W. Wesson	1210 Garfield	Mrs. R. M. Elliot	1317 W. 11th
Valley Falls, Kans., WMS	Miss Emma Leutert	Valley Falls, Kansas	Miss Leona Davies	Valley Falls, Kansas
Southern Conference				
Emporia, Ks. WMS	Mrs. E. T. Anderson	902 So. Comm.	Mrs. L. T. Bang	1308 State Street
Eureka, Kans., Cotta	Mrs. W. T. Darling	508 N. Myrtle	Mrs. Arthur McGinnis	121 North Myrtle
Ft. Smith, Ark. WMS	Mrs. Sara Pense	723 North 16th	Mrs. A. O. Hughes	2309 South O Street
Hutchinson, Ks. WMS	Mrs. A. J. Alstatt	321 East A	Mrs. A. H. Rose	401 West 14th Street
Hutchinson, Ks. Zion Daugh.	Miss Faye Griffin	1015 North Washington	Miss Marjorie Lambert	304 East 8th Street
Oklahoma City, Okla., WMS	Mrs. Geo. Smith	2404 N. W. 21st	Mrs. L. A. Swanson	217 N. W. 25th
Peabody, Ks. WMS	Mrs. Elizabeth Frobenius	501 Olive Street	Miss Carrie Dietrich	Peabody, Kansas
Peabody, Kans., Martha	Mrs. Lucy Stroud	509 N. Walnut	Mrs. Alfred Kirkpatrick	705 North Walnut
Tulsa, Okla. WMS	No report			
Tulsa, Okla., Woman's Guild	Mrs. B. P. Sibole	214 East 24th Place	Mrs. Frank Hesp	1635 E. Admiral Plc.
Wellington, Ks. WMS	Mrs. J. S. Meyer	408 N. Poplar	Mrs. Henrry Keunke	Wellington, Kansas
Wellington, Ks. Fidelis				
Wichita, Ks. WMS	Mrs. Geo. E. Walker	1615 Parker	Mrs. A. R. Johnson	226 S. Holyoke
Wichita, Ks. Mission Daughters	Miss Dorothy Finke	1842 Jeannette	Miss Amelia Long	1130 South Dodge
Western Conference				
Abilene, Ks. WMS	Mrs. M. C. Gellart	210 N. E. 7th	Mrs. O. B. Landes	309 Vine St.
Beloit, Ks. WMS	Mrs. H. P. Anderson	Beloit, Kansas	Mrs. J. A. Quinn	Beloit, Kansas
Chapman, Ks. WMS	Mrs. Stella Loy	515 Glick Ave.	Mrs. C. O. Kauffman	633 North Logan
Glasco, Ks. WMS	Marie Horn	Glasco, Kansas	Elma Grau	Glasco, Kansas
Glasco, Ks. Daught. St. Paul	Virginia Olson	Glasco, Kansas	Merle Antene	Delphos, Kansas
Greenleaf, Ks. WMS	Mrs. L. D. Diedricks	Greenleaf, Kansas	Mrs. E. H. Diedrich	Greenleaf, Kansas
Hays, Kans., W. of Ch.	Mrs. R. S. Markwell	316 West 7th	Mrs. Frank King	500 East 6th Street
Salina, Ks. WMS	Mrs. J. A. Schultz	607 West Walnut	Mrs. F. C. Bechtold	711 Highland
Salina, Ks. WMS (evening)	Miss Irene Bjurstrom	135 Baker	Mrs. Judith Bishop	P. O. Box, Salina, Kans.
Wakeeney, Ks. WMS	Mrs. Gerhard Musseman	Wakeeney, Kansas	Mrs. Frank Schmitt	Collyer, Kansas
Washington, Kans., WMS	Mrs. Kenneth Jackson	Washington, Kansas	Mrs. George Waterman	Washington, Kansas
Waterville, Kans., WMS	Mrs. D. Linn Livers	Barnes, Kansas	Miss Maud Livers	Waterville, Kansas
Waterville, Kans., Hebron	Mrs. Morris Fincham	Waterville, Kansas	Mrs. Elmer Mann	Waterville, Kansas
Wilson, Ks. WMS Excelsior	Mrs. Mildred Shaffer	Wilson,	Mrs. Amelia Kramer	Wilson, Kansas

STATISTICAL REPORT

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA—KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES SYNOD—1943

Eastern Conference

Having W.M.S.	Name of Church & Society	MEMBERSHIP						Personnel of Society			EDUCATION DIVISION									PROMOTION			DIV. OF SPEC. GIFTS						
											Mission Study				Prayer Week						Extension		Protege Patron						
		Active—Under 30 Years of Age	Active—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Active Membership	Associate—Under 30 Years of Age	Associate—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Associate Membership	How Many Mem. Are Students?	How Many Homemakers?	Business & Prof. Women	No. Study Groups A. B. C. D	No. Study Groups—Foreign	No. Persons in Groups	No. Completing Reading Course	Observe Week of Prayer	Number of Meetings Held	No. Use Programs by Educat. Div.?	No. Magazine Subscriptions	No. Soc. use Prog. of Educ. Div.	No. Cong. Pres. Deaconess Cause	No. Different Homes Visited	Quar. Visitor Dist. Since Last Year	No. of Nationals, etc.	Number of Scholarships	No. of other Proteges	No. Pub. Thank-Offering Services	No. Boxes to Home Missions	Life Mem.—No. Given Since June 30 Last Year	In Memo.—No. Given Since June 30 Last Year
1	Atchison, W.M.S.		25	25					25		1B	1B	20		Yes	5	1	24	1	1	10					1		1	1
	Missionites	5	8	13					5	8					Yes			9	1	1							1		
1	Bendena, Cir. 1		22	22					22									15	1							1			
	Circle 2	3	22	25					23	2					Yes	1	1	14		1									
1	Cole Camp, Mo. W.M.S.		7	7		7	7		14						Yes	5	1	10	1	1	10	5	1			1	1		
1	K. C. Ks. W.M.S.		19	19		1	1		19		1B	1B	27		Yes	1	1	19	1	1	150					1		5	2
	Philadora	6	13	19		8	8		12	15	1B	1B	60		Yes	1	1	3	1	1	12						1	1	
1	K. C. Mo. Ch. Me. W.M.S.		16	16		1	1		16	1	1B		15					12	1	1						1			1
	Luminare	6	8	14				1	5	8								5	1	1									
1	K. C. Mo. St. Mks W.M.S.		32	32		15	15		40	7	1A	1A	27	11	Yes	1	1	33	1		42					1			
	King's Daughters	5	7	12					6	6	1B	1B	44	4	Yes	1	1		1					1					
1	Lancaster, W.M.S.	1	14	15					15									15	1							1		2	
1	Lawrence, Kans., W.M.S.		22	22		5	5		24	3	1B		13		Yes	3	1	22	1		284	20				1	1	3	1
	Naomi	5	6	11					3	8					Yes	4	1	1	1										
1	Moray, W.M.S.		11	11		3	3		14									7											
1	St. Joe., Mo. W.M.S.		35	35	2	23	25		46	14	2	2	40		Yes	5	1	35	1	1		24	2	1		1	1	1	
	Lillith Schwab Circle	35	2	37				22	2	13								1	1										
1	Topeka, Kans., W.M.S.		18	18					18									12	1							1			
1	Val. Falls Mission Guild		8	8					5	3								10	1	1						1			
12	Total	66	295	361	2	63	65	23	315	88	9	7	246		11	27	10	247	17	11	508	49	3	2		11	5	13	5

Western Conference

1	Abilene, W.M.S.		30	30					30									38								1			
1	Beloit, W.M.S.		10	10					10						Yes	12	1	14	1	1				1		1			
1	Chapman, W.M.S.	1	14	15		3	3		17	1	1	1	18					10	1	1						1			
1	Glasco, W.M.S.		12	12		2	2		10	4								12	1								1		
	Daught. of St. Paul	13		13				13										2											
1	Greenleaf, W.M.S.		11	11					11									9	1								1		
1	Hays, Wo. of Church			15					15						Yes	5	1	2	1			20		1					1
1	Salina, Kans., W.M.S.		32	32		22	22		54						Yes	1	1	17	1		20	20				1		1	
	Evening Section		9	9					1	8								2	1										
1	Wakeeney, Kans., W.M.S.	1	12	13					12	1								10	1		30			1		1	1	1	
1	Washington, Ks., St. Paul's		14	14					14									14	1	1	10					1	1		
1	Waterville, Kans., W.M.S.		6	6		5	5		11						Yes	1	1	6	1	1						1			
	Hebron W.M.S.	6	18	24					23	1								12	1	1						1			
1	Wilson, Kans., W.M.S.	1	19	20					20						Yes	10	1	15						1		1			
11	Total																												

Southern Conference

Having W.M.S.	Name of Church & Society	*MEMBERSHIP: Active—Under 30 Years of Age	Active—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Active Membership	Associate—Under 30 Years of Age	Associate—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Associate Membership	Personnel of Society: How Many Mem. Are Students?	How Many Homemakers?	Business & Prof. Women	EDUCATION DIVISION: Mission Study: No. Study Groups A. B. C. D	No. Study Groups—Foreign	No. Persons in Groups	No. Completing Reading Course	Prayer Week: Observe Week of Prayer	Number of Meetings Held	No. Use Programs by Educat. Div.?	No. Magazine Subscriptions	No. Soc. use Prog. of Educ. Div.	PROMOTION: Extension: No. Cong. Deaconess Cause	No. Different Homes Visited	Quar. Visitor Dist. Since Last Year	DIV. OF SPEC. GIFTS: Protege Patron: No. of Nationals, etc.	Number of Scholarships	No. of other Proteges	No. Pub. Thank-Offering Services	No. Boxes to Home Missions	Life Mem.—No. Given Since June 30 Last Year	In Memo.—No. Given Since June 30 Last Year
1	Emporia, W.M.S.		14	14		5	5		19			1B	19					19	1		20		1	1					
1	Eureka, W.M.S.		20	20					19	1					Yes	5	1		1		15							2	
1	Ft. Smith, Ark. W.M.S.		14	14					14		1B	1B			Yes	5	1	9	1		90		1						
1	Hutchinson, W.M.S.		25	25		10	10		35						Yes	3	1	20	1	1						1			
	Zion Daughters	8	4	12				1	4	7					Yes	1	1	10	1	1				1		1			
1	Okla. Cy, Okla. W.M.S.		14	14	4		4		18			1B		25				10	1	1	25	25							1
1	Peabody, W.M.S.		7	7		3	3		10									5	1	1									1
	Martha	2	8	10					7	3					Yes	1		10	1									1	
*1	Tulsa, Okla., W.M.S.																												
	Woman's Guild	10	24	34					30	4		1BD	25		Yes	5	1	25	1	1	4					1		1	
1	Wellington, W.M.S.		9	9					9		1B		15		Yes	1		7	1							1			
*	Fidilis																												
1	Wichita, W.M.S.		34	34		41	41		75		1C	1C	22	17				33	1		50	35	2	1	2	1	6	14	4
	Mission Daughters	6	28	34	10	16	26		26	11	1B			24	Yes	1	1	16	1	1	80	6	1	1		1			
9	Total	26	201	227	14	75	89	1	263	26	4	6	81	66	8	22	6	164	12	6	284	66	5	4	2	6	6	18	6
	*No report received																												
	Totals																												
12	Eastern Conference	66	295	361	2	63	65	23	315	88	9	7	246	15	11	27	10	247	17	11	508	49	3	2		11	5	13	5
11	Western Conference	22	202	224		32	32	13	228	15	1	1	18		5	31	5	163	11	5	60	40		4		9	4	2	1
9	Southern Conference	26	201	227	14	75	89	1	289	26	4	6	81	66	8	22	6	164	12	6	284	66	5	4	2	6	6	18	6
32	Sum Totals:	114	698	812	16	170	186	37	832	129	14	14	345	81	24	80	21	574	30	22	852	155	8	10	2	26	15	33	12

Women's Missionary Society—Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States of U.L.C.A.

January 5, 1943 to January 20, 1944	General Fund	Synodical Fund	Lilith Schwab	Thank Offering	Christmas Offering	Self-Denial Lenten	World Day of Prayer	Lutheran World Action	Midland Scholarships	Life Memberships	In Memoriam	India Lace	British Jamaica	Patron & Protege	Tabitha Home	Associate Members	Leper Fund	TOTALS
Abilene, Trinity, W. M. S.	36.00	12.00	33.75	177.12	9.60	11.25			5.00			8.00						292.72
Atchison, St. Mark's, W. M. S.	30.00	10.00	27.00	43.90	13.00	8.85			5.00	10.00	25.00							187.75
Atchison, St. M'k's "Missionite" Soc.	14.40	4.80	10.00	17.91														47.11
Beloit, Zion, W. M. S.	12.00	6.00	15.00	20.15					1.00									54.15
Bendena, St. John's, Circle No. 2	39.50	10.00		20.00				3.45	2.00			1.35						76.30
Bendena, St. John's Circle No. 1	30.00			24.00														54.00
Cole Camp, United	13.80	4.60	10.43	27.25		10.17			4.80			11.31	7.50					89.86
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	12.00	2.50							5.10									19.60
Emporia, St. Mark's	16.80	5.60	21.00	8.78					1.00						5.00			58.18
Eureka, Christ Luth., Colta Society	24.00	8.00	30.00	5.00		6.25			4.10	20.00								97.35
Fort Smith, St. Luke's	35.10	9.30	34.87	14.30														93.57
Glasco, St. Paul's, W. M. S.	14.40	4.80	19.15	16.25								3.25						57.85
Glasco, Daughters of St. Paul's	10.80																	10.80
Greenleaf, Trinity	15.60	5.20	19.50	21.68					1.00			1.00			5.00			68.98
Hays, Trinity, Women of the Church	18.00		23.00	23.20		5.50			2.95	10.00								82.65
Hutchinson, Zion, Daughters	6.40	6.40							5.00									17.80
Hutchinson, Zion, W. M. S.	20.00		21.00	27.00														68.00
Kansas City, Trinity, W. M. S.	22.80	7.20	27.00	41.80	8.50	14.0			5.00	50.00	40.00					1.00		222.30
Kansas City, Trin. "Philadora" Soc.	22.80	7.60	28.50	49.29		9.06			5.00	30.00		5.00						162.25
Kansas City, St. Mark's, W. M. S.	38.40	12.80	54.00	100.00	10.00	13.25			10.00				5.00		62.00	15.00	15.00	470.45
Kansas City, St. M'k's "King's Dau."	15.30	5.10	18.80	14.30					3.00									56.50
Kansas City, Child. Mem. W. M. S.	21.60	7.20	27.00	52.10					5.00		25.00					2.00		139.90
Kansas City, Child. Me. "Luminair"	13.50		26.25						4.50									44.25
Lancaster, St. John's, W. M. S.	16.50	5.60	21.00	50.00					7.00	20.00		5.00						126.60
Lawrence, Trinity, W. M. S.	26.50	9.60	33.00	98.00	5.00	9.50			5.00	30.00	15.00	15.00				5.00		251.60
Lawrence, Trinity, "Naomi Group"	13.20		16.50	35.00					3.00									67.70
Moray Society	14.60	8.40	18.00	14.00					2.00									57.00
Oklahoma City, W. M. S.	20.40	6.80	25.50	26.46	5.50	11.50					15.00	2.75				4.00		117.91
Peabody, St. Paul's, W. M. S.	15.70	5.00	22.50	15.50	5.00				1.00	10.00		1.50	2.13					78.33
Peabody, St. Paul's Martha Soc.	10.30	3.00	9.00	30.00	1.50						15.00	1.50	2.70					73.00
Rockport, First Luth. "A Friend"														50.00				50.00
Rockport, First Luth., Ladies Aid				47.00														47.00

Salina, St. John's, W. M. S.	30.00	10.00	39.00	62.87	2.90					10.00						20.00	7.19	181.96
Salina, St. John's, Evening Society	10.80	3.60	13.50	45.81														83.71
St. Joseph, First Luth., W. M. S.	42.00	14.00	52.50	102.94		21.53				10.00		25.32		100.00		33.00		401.29
Topeka, First, W. M. S.	21.60	6.60	27.00	30.00					5.00									90.20
Tulsa, First Women's Guild A and B	40.80	13.60	51.00	45.10	5.00	10.68			2.78			19.46						203.42
Valley Falls, St. Paul's Miss. Guild	8.40	1.90		14.75								2.75	3.30					31.10
Wakeeney, Bethlehem, W. M. S.	15.60	3.60		26.01				5.00		10.00			5.00		5.00			70.21
Washington, St. Paul's, W. M. S.	23.15		10.00	61.65					2.00	10.00					5.00			111.80
Waterville, St. Mark's	10.50			10.06			1.65		.40									22.61
Waterville, Hebron Society	29.40	9.80		7.89			1.65		1.00									49.74
Wellington, St. John's, W. M. S.	40.11	3.00	25.00															68.11
Washington, St. John's, Fidelis	10.03		10.00															20.03
Wichita, St. Paul's, W. M. S.	37.20	12.40	46.55	202.77	12.85	6.55			9.50	140.00	70.00	32.38		140.00	71.50	41.00		822.70
Wichita, St. Paul's, Mission Daugh.	33.90	11.30	42.88	129.09			14.67							100.00	160.80	26.00		518.14
Wilson, Excelsior, W. M. S.	24.80	6.00	5.00	45.75	3.03	1.00			1.87									87.45
Convention Offerings, Topeka		36.50																36.50
Western Conference Offerings			7.11															7.11
Total Receipts	981.89	296.60	920.79	1804.68	81.88	139.09	17.97	8.45	110.00	360.00	205.00	135.57	25.63	390.00	314.30	147.00	22.19	6147.53
Balance, January 5, 1943		236.63							82.56									330.72
Grand Total	981.99	533.23	920.79	1804.68	81.88	139.09	17.97	8.45	192.56	360.00	205.00	135.57	25.63	390.00	314.30	147.00	22.19	6478.28
Disbursements	890.00	288.47	600.00	1668.24	71.88	139.09	17.97	8.45		360.00	205.00	135.57	25.63	377.50	314.30	147.00	22.19	5379.32
Balance, January 20, 1944	91.89	244.76	320.79	136.44	10.00				192.56					12.50				1098.96

INCLUDED IN TOTALS

Atchison, St. Mark's, W.M.S., India Orphans	10.00	
Atchison, St. Mark's, W.M.S., Puerto Rico	5.00	
Kansas City, St. Mark's, L. Schwab (special)	125.00	75.00
Kansas City, St. Mark's, W.M.S., Chapl. Klover	10.00	
Kansas City, Trinity, Philadora, Chaplain Klover	5.00	
Kansas City, Trinity, W.M.S., Tabitha Bldg. Fd.	5.00	
Lancaster, St. John's, W.M.S., China Relief	1.50	
Salina, St. John's, Evening Group, Kaunacock	10.00	
Tulsa, First, Woman's Guild, A and B, Virgin Is.	15.00	15.00

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